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■ **OLYMPIC GOLD:** Ben Ainslee acknowledges the thousands of spectators on The Nothe after clinching his fourth Olympic Gold  
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### Ainslee becomes greatest Olympic sailor in history

BEN Ainslee sailed into the record books on Sunday when he claimed his fourth Olympic Gold medal by winning the Finn Class in Weymouth Bay to become the greatest sailing Olympian in history.

His fourth consecutive Olympic title together with a Silver earned at Atlanta in 1996 puts him ahead of the Dane Paul Elvstrøm, a record that has been held since 1960.

However there was drama right up until the closing moments. The Gold medal appeared to be between the Danish sailor Jonas Høgh-Christensen

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who had looked odds-on to win the class after six of the ten fleet races, and

Ainslee who battled back in the last four to go into the medal race just two points behind.

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**SINGER** songwriter Declan Duffy has been playing in bands and composing songs for 15 years. Born and raised in London, he moved to Bridport three years ago, taking a job at Waterstones bookshop.

He currently fronts The Pickwicks alongside fellow Bridport resident Lauren Glover. Their debut single "Never Had To Try" is released on August 10th.

## ● HOW long have you been interested in music?

I'm from an Irish family so music was always a part of my upbringing, although you wouldn't say we were a particularly musical family. It's in there somewhere though, as both myself and my sister are in bands. For the last 20 years or so, it's been an integral aspect of my life and in some ways defines me.

## ● WHAT'S the difference between gigging in London and gigging around here?

There's a broader audience acceptance of acts playing what they want to outside of London. Up there, you play covers in pubs for money on one hand, and you play your own music in venues for very little money on the other.

Here, you turn up to play a gig and, as long as you give the crowd a sufficient number of songs to sing along to, they'll listen quite happily to original music.

Paul Hines at No.10 is a great supporter of local songwriters - he prefers it when we all play songs we've written ourselves.

## ● IS West Dorset a good place for music?

Yes, there are so many musicians here. Bridport particularly has such a good scene - a high standard, very supportive of each other.

Myself and Elijah Wolf are actually just about to start a label. He's been running his Howl Open-Mic nights for a while now, which I've been helping out with recently. We felt that we had to provide an outlet for these artists and their songs to be heard.

The plan is to release regular singles by local acts in an effort to benefit the local musical and artistic community.

## ● YOU hear about it being difficult for musicians these days because of piracy and downloads. Is it tough?

Yes. The record industry's utter failure to foresee this and do something about it in time means that there's a lot less money now to sign bands.

However, it is now unquestionably easier to get your music heard because of the amount of online portals to which music can be uploaded. You just don't make



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much from it unless a manager or label picks it up and puts some money behind it.

## ● WHY did you name your band The Pickwicks?

I love Charles Dickens and I wanted to reflect that in the name. And because it's better than being called the Old Curiosity Shop.

## ● DO you have a strong interest in literature?

Absolutely. My teachers used to tell me I had strong reading abilities, which presumably drew me into an interest in books. I read "To Kill A Mockingbird" for my GCSEs; a wonderful book which has remained with me emotionally and psychologically and is still my favourite novel.

## ● YOU have been involved in a number of projects encouraging children to explore music and literature. Is it an important part of what you do?

Very much so. The degree to which both hearing music and reading benefit a child's emotional and intellectual development is incalculable. The influence on them can be seen and gauged from an extremely early age, and I feel that parents must be encouraged to help with this aspect of development.

## ● WHAT'S your favourite album and why?

The first Stone Roses album. I heard it when I was first developing an interest in music and I don't think anyone has surpassed it since. Absolutely the right four people, with the best producer for them, creating a perfect collection of music - they really are a truly special band. I recommend it to everyone (along with "Exile On Main Street" by the Stones).

## ● ANY tips for aspiring singers/songwriters?

Don't feel you have to make one particular type of music, do what comes naturally and what feels right. Listen to loads of different types of music. Practice constantly. And always have a spare pair of pants.

"Never Had To Try" is released through iTunes, hmv.com, Amazon and all other digital music retailers on Friday, August 10th.

The launch party will take place on Monday, August 13th at the River Cottage Canteen, Axminster.

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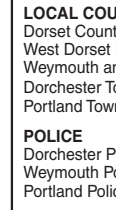
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## Academy has no planning permission and will not be ready for September

PLANNERS say "critical issues" face Portland's controversial proposed new education Academy according to documents obtained by the **View** using the Freedom of Information Act.

It has also emerged that the Isle of Portland Aldridge Community Academy will not now start at Southwell Business Park in September because sites are not ready.

Instead the Academy has agreed with Dorset County Council that students will remain at their "predecessor" sites until ready to move.

But the Academy, granted £15 million in Government cash, faces more serious problems because, despite appointing a principal and warning schools concerned that their pupils are destined for the Academy, it has still to be granted planning permission.

Weymouth and Portland projects and specialist services head Andrew Martin said in a letter replying to Cube Design's pre-planning application inquiry that two "critical issues" had emerged.

He highlighted concerns that the Academy was largely reusing existing jobs rather than creating new jobs as required by planning policy if an employment site was to

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be lost which might otherwise be used for more traditional employment.

Mr Martin said he accepted the Academy would generate employment but "how many of the proposed jobs will be new".

He added: "If the majority of them are simply the jobs that already exist in the schools that are proposed to come together to form the Academy then it seems to me that the proposal is contrary to Local Plan E2 (Retention of Employment Sites and Premises)."

Mr Martin said he was also concerned at access and the need for a transport assessment to address putting "1,770 pupils in a location remote from where I imagine that many of them live".

He added that core planning guidance focussed on "significant development in locations which are or can be made sustainable" and that "on the face of it, your pro-

posal would appear to be (at) odds with this principle".

But Academies Director Portland Jane Fooks claimed the contents of Mr Martin's letter had already been emailed earlier to them, the issues he raised had "already been addressed" and "we have moved forward significantly since then to prepare a full and detailed planning application which will be submitted following public consultation".

She admitted that neither of the two Academy sites could be made ready for a September start and that "we have agreed with the Trust's co-sponsor Dorset County Council for the students to remain at their predecessor sites until ready to move".

The **View** then repeated Mr Martin's concerns about transport and that the scheme needed to show jobs being generated at the start not at some unspecified point in the future, but she claimed it was not possible to give specific details. She would only say that "a small number of new posts" had been created to ensure the smooth operation and transition and that "new and different posts will evolve as the Academy develops".

It was not possible to be specific until plans were finalised, she said, adding that the Academy was working with planners, environment and travel officers "to develop the best solution for all concerned".

A number of drop-in sessions are planned so the community can view and ask questions about the Academy proposals and these sessions would be detailed later, she said, claiming it would be "highly inappropriate" for the Academy to "share specific details with the media ahead of public consultation and submission of our planning application".

### Car windscreens smashed

VANDALS have smashed a large number of car windscreens in Weymouth.

The incident early on August 1st saw at least nine vehicles vandalised along Louviers Road in the Little-moor area of the town.

PC Jane Walker, of Weymouth police, said: "I would like to speak with anyone who witnessed any suspicious activity in this area."

"Local residents are clearly appalled by this vandalism. It has caused major inconvenience to many motorists as well as unwanted expense."

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## Ben strikes gold in the bay

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However whilst Ainslee concentrated in keeping his nearest rival behind him, a tactic that would bring him level on points and the winner, by virtue of a higher finish in the medal race, the Dutchman Pieter-Jan Postma could also snatch victory if he could finish high enough in the field.

With Ainslee and Hagh-Christensen battling it out in 9th and 10th, Postma in third only needed to move up a place to snatch the Gold.

Fortunately for the thousands of British spectators lining The Nothe in Weymouth where the drama was unfolding in front of them, the flying Dutchman became over ambitious. In his haste to overtake the New Zealand boat to snatch second spot in the last few yards, he was forced to take a penalty turn which sent him back to fifth spot and out of medal contention.



■ I'VE DONE IT: The moment Ben Ainslee crosses the line with nearest rival Jonas Hagh-Christensen following in his wake  
Photo IDRIS MARTIN

This allowed Ainslee to concentrate on keeping the Dane behind him and he held him off to claim the Gold medal and a place in history.

Afterwards he said: "It was a tough event. Jonas sailed brilliantly earlier in the week but I managed to get back to give me a chance today on what was a very tricky course."

"It was a very tactical and strategic race with the wind changing around, and was very difficult to

get right.

"The support has been fantastic all the way through these games here in Weymouth and Portland, and racing where we were was a huge inspiration and made a huge difference."

"It's been a tough week with a lot at stake but fortunately it came together."

"It's been incredibly hard - there's a huge amount of pressure to perform at a home Games. It's been the hardest couple of weeks of

my life but you just have to get on with the job."

To be able to win a Gold medal in your own country and in front of such a huge crowd - it won't get any better than that."

Asked if he would go to Rio in 2016 to make it five Golds Ainslee said: "You can never say never, but I don't think I can sail one of these again, it's killing my body. I don't think you will see me in Rio, but it's the best way to bow out at a home Olympics."

## Homes allowed, with conditions, on wildlife site

PLANNERS have backed a scheme to build 16 homes and four apartments on a wildlife-rich site south of Lorton Lane in Weymouth.

Opponents including Brian Heatley, who lives nearby, were very concerned at access which will be one way in and out of the site, Mr Heatley suggesting that there should be a condition for cars to give way to pedestrians.

John Montgomery for applicants Linden Homes said the site was allocated for 20 homes in the Local Plan which would include six for affordable housing.

Trees would be protected, he said, as would the integrity of a wildlife corridor.

Councillor Ray Banham said: "This is a far better proposal than what we had in front of us a year ago and I am more than happy to propose that this is granted with conditions attached."

Councillor Anne Kenwood said: "This is a much better layout although I am not very happy about the flats."

Access really worried Councillor Ian Bruce and he said: "Trees seem

to be wagging the planning committee's tail. We should have a proper access."

Weymouth and Portland Mayor Councillor Margaret Leicester said: "I am concerned at future management for the Site of Special Scientific Interest. It is a very good scheme, but we should make sure the SSSI is properly looked after."

The committee then delegated approval of the scheme to its officers subject to conditions including access, ecology, landscaping and materials.

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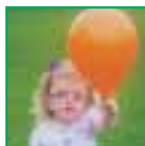
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## Playwright turns author

DORSET playwright Peter John Cooper has branched out into publishing – with a book telling the story of Thomas Hardy's relationship with his first wife, Emma.

Cooper has been writing and directing plays for the past 40 years, but with the help of local publisher Roving Press, his play She Opened the Door, together with notes on the historical context and what inspired Peter to write the play, is now available in book form.

"What's unique about this book," says Julie Musk from Roving Press, "is that it combines the complete script of the play with Peter's research, thoughts and inspiration – showing something of how a playwright's mind works. Moreover, I loved seeing the play performed, but the intricacies and subtleties of plot are clearer on the page, as you have more time to digest them."

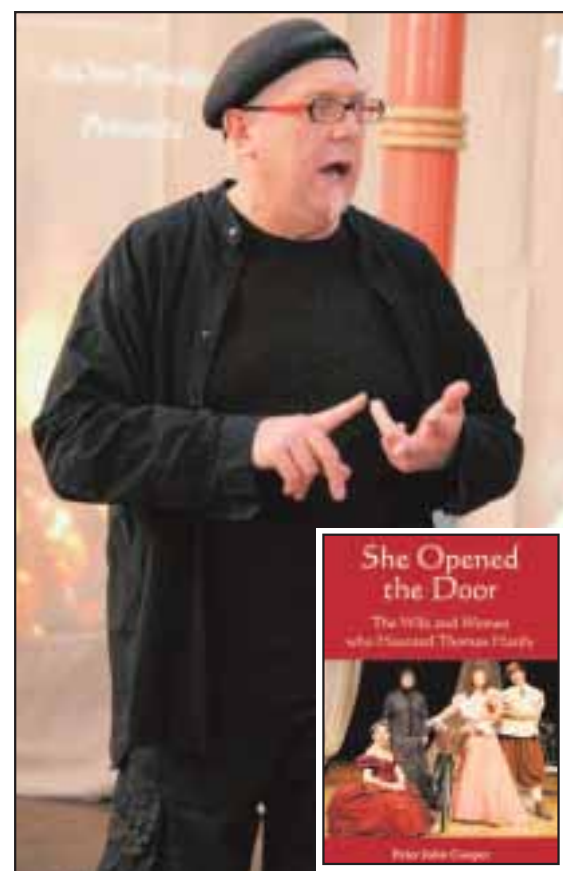
Peter's play is a fantasy set one afternoon in September 1895 when the manuscript for Jude the Obscure needs to be returned to the publisher.

Emma is threatening to burn it in the garden of Max Gate and, but for the intervention of Thomas's Mother, the Maid and "the Other Woman", the book might be lost forever.

Said Peter Cooper: "I wanted to show that Hardy was truly a man of his time, a cutting-edge, contemporary writer, who was caught up in the feminist movement".

The book is being formally launched at Max Gate next week.

The book is available direct from Roving Press at [www.rovingpress.co.uk](http://www.rovingpress.co.uk), tel 01300 321531, and in local book shops, priced £7.99.



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The petition, which was due to expire later this month, is on the Government e petition website and can be viewed at: <http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/36619>

Mr Drax has renewed it with the full blessing and co-operation of the previous instigator of the petition, Dr Mew.

"The reason that this petition is so significant is that the Government has undertaken to consider a Commons debate for any petition attracting more than 100,000 signatures," said Mr Drax.

"This is the magic number to aim for. The last petition had already attracted over 18,000 signatures by the time it expired. We are asking all those who signed it last time to sign this one too and to ask their friends and families to join in.

"We must get a proper discussion in Parliament about the loss of this very valuable asset.

"Anyone who has been following this will know there

has been no public consultation over the closure because the Department for Transport says that the service will be 'improved'.

"This is in spite of an outcry from anyone with any expertise in the emergency and rescue services. It simply doesn't make sense that closing helicopter bases could improve the service, as the DfT claims. No matter how fast the new helicopters are, they cannot be in two places at once.

"We have so much evidence that our helicopter is necessary; in the past few weeks alone, it has rescued fishermen, divers and those stranded by floods.

"I fear that this could cost lives unless there is a re-think."

Mr Drax also questioned the timing of the closure. "It is ironic that the helicopter will go only after the Olympic sailing games are over. It is a great asset to have during the Games - it will be no less an asset if Weymouth is to develop in future, as we hope, as an elite sailing area," he said.

## Rotary welcoming the world



WEYMOUTH Rotary Club is welcoming visitors from a huge area.

President Mike Parker said: "We own Pilgrim House and we are using it during the Olympic and Paralympic Games as a meet and

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"We have already had visitors from as far afield as Yorkshire in this country as well as overseas visitors from Estonia, Sweden and

Latvia.

"By the time all the Games are over we believe we will have welcomed more than 300 visitors. We have even had in relatives of the GB sailing team."



■ PRESIDENT Mike Parker (centre) with members of the Rotary team

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# Royal honour for volunteers

PORTLAND Bill welcomed HRH The Princess Royal when she arrived in brilliant sunshine to open the new National Coast-watch Institution training centre.

Princess Anne, wearing a Great Britain Team GB Olympic jacket, spent more than an hour on site during which she also toured facilities and presented the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service to NCI Dorset.

She was greeted by Lord Lieutenant Mrs Anthony Pitt-Rivers who presented a variety of guests including Portland Deputy Mayor Les Ames, Weymouth and Portland Mayor Margaret Leicester and South Dorset MP Richard Drax.

Station manager Geoff Peters then welcomed the Princess and introduced her to fellow station managers Dirk Aldous, of St Alban's Head, John Masters of Peveril Point and Clive Edwards of Lyme Bay before inviting her up to the watch room to see the new CCTV camera sited on Trinity House's Portland lighthouse which relays pictures of the undercliff to the lookout.

She also met watchkeep-



■ THE Princess Royal presents the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

Photo by BARRY WILSON

ers from all four stations and viewed the Ex Lab art exhibition of Pseudomorphs based on the Jurassic coast in the new training centre before later opening the centre and unveiling a plaque.

She went on to stroll round and talk to onlookers before presenting the four Dorset NCI stations with The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service consisting of one crystal and four certificates.

The Princess said it was "a pleasure" to perform the opening and presentations because the work of the NCI was really "appreci-

ated", such people being proof in these difficult times that "community spirit is still alive and well in the UK".

Mr Peters told the *View*: "It is a great honour to receive this award. There are not many given out. It is equivalent to an MBE in the private sector, so it is quite an honour.

"We keep our eyes on the coast and look after mariners, walkers, climbers and all the people who use the coastline."

When the Princess Royal left everyone joined in a hearty three cheers led by Cmdr Peter Tambling.



■ PRINCESS Anne with station manager Geoff Peters  
Photo by HARRY WALTON



That's the way to do it!

□ PROFESSOR Mark Poulton with Mr Punch at the celebrations

SOME of the world's top performers showed That's the Way to Do It on Weymouth Beach for Mr Punch's 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The resort's Big Grin, part of the Maritime Mix, coincided with the popular puppet's anniversary and included two days filled with fun.

There was everything from puppet making workshops and backstage tours of the show to an evening performance by Weymouth's resident Professor Mark Poulton while other celebrations included a birthday card signing and a Pavilion performance with Mr Punch and the Professors.

Puppeteer Mark, who has been performing Punch and Judy since 1989, moved to the Weymouth venue in 2005.

His shows have been featured in

both local and national press, radio and have also been filmed for many television shows and he said Punch and Judy was not just for children but the whole family.

He added: "This was a once in a lifetime opportunity to see such a special Punch and Judy performance on such a special occasion. It was nice to see the crowds and Mr Punch really enjoyed himself.

Weymouth and Portland tourism spokesman Councillor Ian Bruce said: "We were delighted to hold such a fantastic event here. Punch and Judy have been part of Weymouth's seafront for many years so this was a great opportunity to celebrate Mr Punch's 350<sup>th</sup> birthday in style.

The Big Grin is a national celebration of Mr. Punch's 350<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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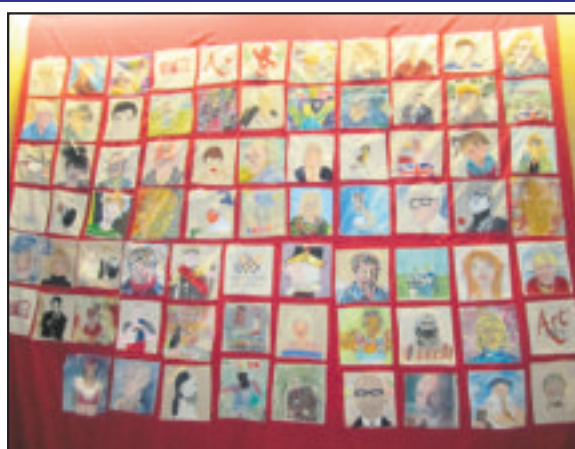
■ MAYOR Margaret Leicester at the exhibition

**M**ORE than 100 exhibits were on show at an Artwey exhibition for the Olympics Maritime Mix event.

At its heart was the GiantWall, a project enabling participants to produce portraits of people who had influenced them or who had provided them with inspiration, all the portraits being stitched together.

The Wall, which has earned an Inspire Mark from the 2012 Cultural Olympiad, appeared at St Mary's Church in Weymouth which hosted the exhibition with the ecumenical team of churches working together as Refresh 2012.

The exhibition was opened by Weymouth and Portland Mayor Margaret Leicester who said: "it looked absolutely fabulous and the standard was wonderful."



■ THE Giant Wall

## Midnight fundraiser for women only

WOMEN are being urged to register now for a ladies only midnight walk in Weymouth on August 18th.

The event, which is being held in aid of Weldmar Hospicecare Trust, offer five-mile, 6.5-mile and a more challenging 13-mile route all of which start from Weymouth College in Cranford Avenue where there will be free parking.

The registration fee of £16 includes a walkers T-shirt and fun items while Wessex FM will be in attendance to entertain everyone throughout the event and there will be fun warm up sessions.

Volunteers for marshalling the routes are urgently needed to support the walkers and for more information people should contact 01305 261800 or register online at:

[www.weld-hospice.org.uk/midnightwalk](http://www.weld-hospice.org.uk/midnightwalk).

There will be prizes for the best outfit and Weldmar is appealing for as many women as possible to join the event.

## Maritime Mix art on show



NEARLY 20 exhibitors displayed more than 120 works when a Maritime Mix Cultural Olympiad Artwey exhibition was held in Weymouth.

The event in Brewers Quay workshops attracted a steady flow of visitors.

Steward Ingrid Ellis said: "They liked the quirky things and seascapes and quite a few of the paintings have been sold."

■ INGRID Ellis at the exhibition



## Walking the spaces

□ Phil Smith prepares to lead the Spaces walk

TWO walks entitled Spaces and Waves have been held in Weymouth as part of the b-side multimedia arts festival.

The spaces walk was led by Phil Smith who said: "I showed people spaces and patterns in the North Quay and Chapelhay areas."

"It was almost a ghost walk because we looked at the ghosts of spaces and the ghosts of people including the Civil War massacre at Chapelhay in 1645 and the brief presence here of George Joseph Smith, the Brides in the Bath murderer of 1910."

## Stand-up literature

LEGENDARY literary stand-up John Hegley (right) will be appearing in Seen but Seldom Heard at the ICCI360 arena in front of Weymouth Pavillion on Thursday, August 30th at 7.30pm.

The night of inspiring and flabbergasting spoken word, film and performance by young Dorset voices has been inspired by the Paralympics.

It will showcase creative voices from the Seen but Seldom Heard and Off the Page poetry projects and will be supported by Jonny Fluffypunk and Liv Torc.

Tickets cost £5 and are available from Weymouth Pavillion <https://weymouthpavilion.purchase-tickets-online.co.uk/public/default.asp> for the performance which is part of the Maritime Mix London 2012 Cultural Olympiad by the Sea.



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## Boat of many parts

■ THE BOAT Collective Spirit and (below) artist Johny Lamb

A FABULOUS boat created from 1,221 donations of wood from people all over the world is on show in Weymouth until August 11<sup>th</sup>.

Collective Spirit includes objects ranging from a piece of Jimi Hendrix's guitar to a wooden spoon, a peg and even a cocktail stick.

On board artist Johny Lamb said: "Spirit actually includes pieces from more than 140 other boats including Nelson's Victory and the Mary Rose.

"She has to be up there among the most unusual craft ever created.

"The boat is being put on display as part of the Cultural Olympiad and, once it leaves Weymouth, it will make further appearances at Southampton Boat Show, London, Belgium and France.

"My favourite piece of wood in the boat is the horse's eye which is made from a piece of tree planted in 1166 to commemorate the centenary of the Battle of Hastings in 1066."



## Dog show raising funds for town green

■ STACIE Lawson with her little friends (above) and Craig Wittin with William



MORE than 1,000 people packed out the Town Green companion dog show and family fun day in Weymouth.

The event, which attracted more than 200 dog entries, had vets Fielder and Cumber as main sponsors while Larkin Windows sponsored all the rosettes.

Among attractions were a bouncy slide, children's go karts, a lucky dip, tombola, a grand draw and numerous stalls and sideshows.

The show was opened by the Society for the Protection of Markham and Little Francis chairman Gill Taylor.

She said all proceeds from the event will go into a fighting fund to pay for a legal battle to confirm the popular open space's Town Green status which is dependent on a Supreme Court hearing against developers Betterment Properties.

Mrs Taylor added: "It was unbelievable to see so many people here and it just goes to show the strength of support for our attempt to retain Town Green status for Markham and Little Francis.

"Everyone had a wonderful time and it was lovely to see so many dogs in one place.

"It raised much needed money for our fighting fund, but the main aim of the day was to have fun and that's what we did."



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## The Christian Column

### AS I SEE IT ...

by Geoff Treleven

#### Finishing the course

**B**ILLY GRAHAM has been heard by millions through television, radio and by attending his crusades.

Having encouraged so many to begin a Christian life, he has recently written a book called "Nearing Home". Now in his nineties, he has written about life, faith and finishing well.

It is usually easier to begin a project than to complete it. Completion requires commitment and persistent dedication. Billy Graham is now facing all that comes with the ageing process. But his determination remains constant.

As we approach the closing ceremony of the Olympic Games, there will be many who return home to hear the words well done. Some will be disappointed but determined not to give up. Perhaps we might even view the games as an example of how we should regard our commitment to Jesus Christ.

Towards the end of his life, the Apostle Paul wrote: "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." (2 Timothy 4:7)

I am uncertain who wrote it, but I like their famous quotation:

*"For when the One Great Scorer comes to write against your name, He writes - not that you won or lost - but how you played the game."*

If you have a news story or a photo for the View from Weymouth or the View from Portland please call Harry Walton on 01305 787843 or email [hdswalton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hdswalton@yahoo.co.uk)

## Ambassadors doing a 'fantastic job'

WEYMOUTH and Portland's Olympic Ambassadors have been praised for the fantastic job they've been doing in the borough.

The team of around 500 volunteers has been recruited by Weymouth and Portland council to welcome visitors and give out information and advice at key points around the area during Games time.

Dressed in their bright pink uniforms, the volunteers have been providing a visible presence in the town and offering guidance and reassurance to visitors,

many of whom may not have visited Weymouth and Portland before.

Chloe Jackson, 21, and Hannah Croft, 20, from Poole said: "We wanted to come and see the atmosphere in Weymouth because we don't have tickets to the London events.

"We didn't know where to go and what to do, but the ambassadors were very helpful. They gave us a map and pointed us in the right direction. It's really great that they're giving up their time and they certainly stand out."

Weymouth and Portland management committee chairman Councillor Mike Goodman said: "It's hard to miss the Ambassadors in their bright and colourful uniforms and it's great to have such a committed team of individuals who are there to be the smiling faces of Weymouth and Portland and to ensure our visitors are well looked after.

"The team are doing a fantastic job in ensuring people enjoy their Olympic experience here in our wonderful borough.

We truly appreciate their hard work and are very grateful for the dedication they've shown so far."

Ambassador and Weymouth College student, Chloe Rowe, 16, of Portland said: "Visitors have been saying how lovely Weymouth is and they are surprised that the Live Site is free. Being an ambassador is fun, it is a good opportunity for me and I can say I've been part of the Olympics."

## England cricket captain inspires local youngsters

ENGLAND women's cricket captain Charlotte Edwards dropped in to encourage young cricketers enjoying the Weymouth and Portland Live Site sports arena.

Charlotte has played more than 200 times for England in Test matches, one dayers and 20-20 games.

She laughed and encouraged youngsters trying their hand with the ball in the cricket area and told the **View**: "It is really important to help here.

"The Olympics is fantastic for Weymouth and Portland and hopefully the cricket stand here can help inspire more youngsters to play cricket.

"I was lucky enough to go up to the Olympic Park in London and it is nice to see the buzz in Weymouth created by the Olympics. It is great to support sport here."

■ **ENGLAND women's cricket captain Charlotte Edwards**



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A GLEAMING new wine and tapas bar has opened in Weymouth. Bar Acqua on the Esplanade in the Acqua Beach Hotel, formerly the Concorde Hotel, was packed for its opening night. It was officially

opened by Weymouth and Portland Deputy Mayor Ray

Banham who said: "How welcome it is in this Jubilee and Olympic year to be able to open a fabulous, sophisticated new venue.

"It can do nothing but help improve the local economy and provide a venue where people can enjoy quality wine and food using local ingredients in refined surroundings."

Owner Charlotte Weaver said: "I wanted to create one of the funkier wine bars in the area and we have definitely succeeded.

"I set out to create a venue that I myself would like to enjoy a drink in and everything has come together perfectly.

"We have placed special emphasis on our cocktails and jelly shooters while our tapas is really mouth-watering, using all sorts of ingredients from cured fish to smoked duck in a style which has gone for quality rather than quantity.

"All in all Bar Acqua is unrecognisable from what was here before and I hope it will go from strength to strength."



Deputy Mayor Ray Banham stands next to Charlotte Weaver as he opens Bar Acqua.

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ENVIRONMENT Minister Lord Taylor has visited Weymouth to praise a unique collaboration which has unlocked the hidden underwater secrets of Dorset's Jurassic coast. The partnership has brought together more than 200 organisations to ensure a lasting legacy for the area, he said.

Smart phone barcode technology installed along the new Coastal Access path around Weymouth and Portland will allow visitors and residents unprecedented access to newly-mapped information about life under the waves.

Lord Taylor said: "For the first time people enjoying a stroll along the rugged beauty of the Jurassic Coast World Heritage Site now have the treasure trove of wildlife under the waves – such as sea-

horses and anemones – at their fingertips."

He explained that nine bar code points allowed people to tune in by smart phone and get a video of what they were looking at and also at what they couldn't see beneath the waves.

He said it was formed out of a partnership between the Government and a variety of other organisations including wildlife groups such as Dorset Wildlife Trust.

Lord Taylor said: "Weymouth and Portland has such a unique natural environment, a fascinating natural history which is so worthwhile preserving."

■ **LORD TAYLOR is pictured enjoying a sunlit Furzy Cliffs overlooking Lodmoor**



WHILE in Weymouth Environment Minister Lord Taylor visited the Fine Foundation Chesil Beach Centre to see some of the last natural legacy for Weymouth and Portland from London 2012.

Lord Taylor joined throngs of visitors to the stunning new building and was able to see the centre's first exhibition - A Celebration of Dorset's Living Seas - and find out about the work that Dorset Wildlife Trust has done to bring the natural treasures of the sea to the attention of both Government and the public.

The new centre includes an education room, exhibition area, shop and a café run by MasterChef winner Mat Follas

as well as a brand new boardwalk across the Fleet lagoon built by 26 Engineer Regiment and kindly sponsored by the Court Leet of the Island and Royal Manor of Portland.

Trust operations director Brian Blease said: "The visit by Lord Taylor crowned a fantastic week with over a thousand people coming to the centre on the first day alone! This has been a wonderful partnership project with the full support of the local community, showcasing outstanding natural heritage and opening it up for all to enjoy."

The centre is open from 10am to 4pm every day. For more information, ring 01305 206191 or visit [dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/chesilcentre](http://dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/chesilcentre).



■ **MARC Smith, Chesil Centre Officer at Dorset Wildlife Trust, outside the Fine Foundation Chesil Beach Centre**  
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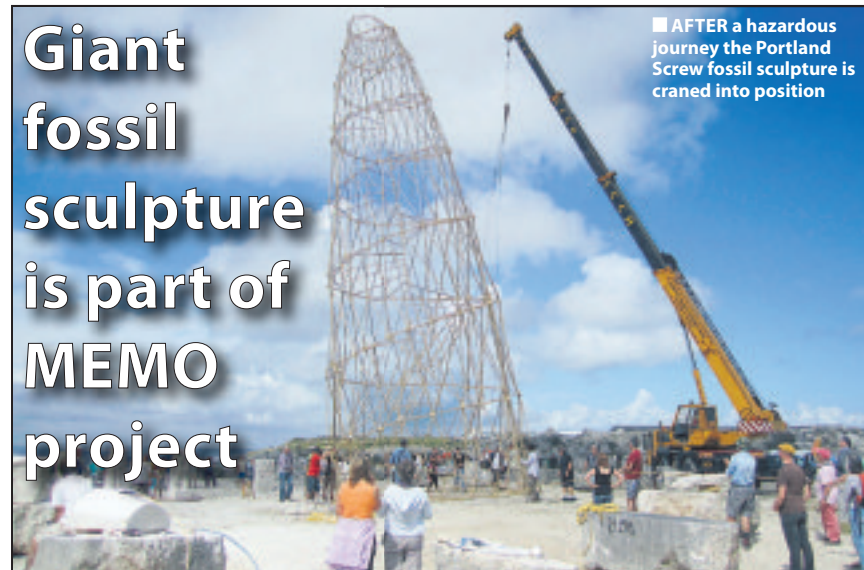
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## Giant fossil sculpture is part of MEMO project



■ **AFTER a hazardous journey the Portland Screw fossil sculpture is craned into position**

A GIANT bamboo structure in the shape of a Portland Screw fossil has been installed at Bowers Quarry on Portland.

The screw forms part of the MEMO project to build an observatory to highlight the rapid extinction of species.

MEMO director Sebastian Brooke said the bamboo screw had been built at Royal Manor Arts College and taken to the quarry where it was put on the site of the future observatory.

He added: "The Olympics is an international sporting event and MEMO is an international project to draw attention to the threat of extinction that so many species are facing."

"Dozens of people helped build

the screw which represents a well known Portland fossil."

The purpose of the screw and the observatory has been brought into focus this year which marks the 350th anniversary of the last known live sighting of the Dodo.

Mr Brooke said: "It was seen by a Dutch sailor shipwrecked on Mauritius and the connection is that the screw has been built by Dutch artists Antoon Versteegde and Sylvia Dekker."

Mr Brooke added that two new carvings are being made at Bowers including one of Lonesome George, the last known Pinto Island giant tortoise who died recently.

Transporting the screw structure was one of the most dramatic scenes Portland has witnessed in re-

cent years.

Nearly 100 people rallied round to the lifting cause including a number of men "pressed" to cause by Mr Brooke after an appeal at a nearby cricket ground.

The journey took the screw across a busy road, down Bowers Quarry and on to its ultimate display site where it was helped into place by a crane. Even then there was a bit of adrenaline when the 60ft structure seemed to escape its handlers and threaten to topple over.

But all proved well and Mr Brooke said: "It has realised part of my dream, a step on the way."

"It has been a fantastic community effort, absolutely fantastic. Walking the Portland Screw down to the quarry was just gorgeous."



# Weymouth Matters



A personal View by  
**HARRY WALTON**

## Where is everybody?

THEY were told that there was no gain without the pain of roadworks.

They were told that any drop in income caused by setting things up for the Olympic Games would be outweighed by income boost during the Games and its legacy for years to come.

And they were told to make arrangements well in advance to ensure that their staff and stock deliveries wouldn't be disrupted by the "crush" of Olympic visitors.

Reality has seen many businesses left bemused by a trickle not a flood of visitors, some streets almost completely deserted and shops and outlets away from the seafront doing far worse than their darkest nightmares.

The council replied to those concerns by pointing out that more than 11,000 people packed out the Live Site to see GB sailors, watch the Olympic opening ceremony and thrill at the superb finale of Battle for the Winds, but one big event "swallow" doesn't make a

summer.

Less than 24 hours later the giant expanse of sand which is the Live Site was using its two enormous TV screens to show the Olympics to a pitiful audience which would have struggled to fill a seafront shelter.

One business told me their takings were 86 per cent down on this time last year while another said the three year run-up to the Games had cost him £150,000.

Too late Olympic and local authorities have realised that their road signs warning of congestion have put people off coming here and too late they've realised that signs showing road are closed and car parks reserved for park and ride buses aren't needed because the expected 30,000 a day influx of visitors is only a fraction of that.

Perhaps the only thing left to wait for is the crop of post-Olympic signs.... "Closing Down", "To Let" and "Shut: All inquiries to....".

## 'Too much or not enough'

AS the sun beats down gardeners are counting the cost of one of the wettest four months on record.

Dozens of people have talked to me about flooded sheds, garages and out-buildings, but it is the cost on the land which has really taken its toll.

I've been told horror stories about potatoes rotting in the ground, tomatoes beaten flat and countless examples of a veritable army of slugs and snails celebrating the wet conditions.

For myself, all my hanging baskets rotted, I've lost almost my entire raspberry crop which just mouldered away on the canes, floral displays were poor and salad vegetables took a beating.

On the plus side, I've had a corsette bonanza with dozens of them cropping while my beans and cooking onions

also seem to be doing very well.

But you still have to say that conditions have been startling with nearly half my entire garden flooded from a few inches to up to a foot deep. Only once before has it ever really flooded to that depth in more than 20 years living on the property.

Now we are getting some decent sunshine the ground has dried out and become its usual rock-like summer consistency, but it has been too late for many decent crops of produce, so I'll leave you with a comment from one grizzled veteran of a gardener who told me: "S'always the same in this country. Too much of something or not enough."

## Seagull menace

IT is getting so bad now that eating food on the harbourside in Weymouth requires eyes in the back of your head.

Seagulls are so much of a marauding menace that they are increasingly costing people money.

Take one man out with his wife who decided they might as well dine al fresco with a couple of portions of jumbo sausage and chips.

It was a nice evening and he was enjoying his food, but when his wife spoke to him he looked at her and in that split second he needed another jumbo sausage.

A gull monitoring the whole situation recognised distraction when it saw it, swooped down, grabbed the sausage and was gone without the diner even noticing the bird had arrived!

The result saw a rueful man walk off to buy a replacement sausage, leading him to wonder if perhaps harbourside fish and chip shops might actually be training gulls to help them increase trade!

## No space in our car parks!

SPECTATORS have been enjoying the Olympic experience in to Weymouth and Portland, but are there really as many of them as the authorities would have you believe?

One man is convinced that numbers may be being vastly inflated...and he has the personal experience to back it up.

He recently set off for work very early and he was a bit on autopilot, so it took him a second to realise what he'd just seen.

Now no resident of Weymouth needs telling about the forest of electronic signs which has sprung up offering traffic advice, but the Olympic transport sign this man saw was flashing: "All car parks are full. Please use Park and Ride".

There was just one thing wrong. It was 4.30 in the morning and there wasn't a soul about far less car parks teeming with vehicles! Perhaps Olympic overload had given the sign a nervous breakdown.

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## Bridport hotel punches above its weight

THE popular two star Bridge House Hotel by the River Asker in Bridport has been nominated for a third star by Visit Britain as it reaches ten years under the Smith family ownership.

Bob and Olya Smith, proprietors of Bridge House Hotel, have painstakingly and expertly refurbished and upgraded the hotel in the ten years they have owned it. The bedrooms have been renovated, re-fitted and decorated; the lounge bar and reception area are in comfortable country house mode; the cellar Wine Bar & Brasserie, reflecting Bridport's rope making past, features delicious keenly priced cuisine with signature dishes by his son; Roger Smith who joined them three years ago.

The popular 115 Club wine and dine music venue launched in March 2012 on every 2nd Thursday night exposes Bridport to professional national Jazz, Blues, Soul and R&B artists.

Bob feels that attention to detail, knowledgeable staff and service excellence have all paid dividends. He says "We recognised the need to improve and have worked with major players in the hospitality industry to very good effect.



This helped us to focus and work on key business performance areas, and our staff have been superb."

Popular with businesses, local residents, and visitors alike, Bridge House

Hotel is 'flying the flag' which Bob Smith feels can only enhance the reputation for the service and quality of West Dorset in general and Bridport in particular.



▲ Newly refurbished Reception and lounge area

## 115 Club

THE 115 Club is a Wine and Dine Music Venue, sited beneath the Bridge House Hotel at 115 East Street, Bridport, aiming to showcase the finest selection of British musical talents after Dinner. Primarily Jazz (both modern and traditional), but styles such as Blues, Soul, Latin and R&B will be performed.

Modelled on Steve Rubie's famous 606 Jazz Club in Chelsea, the club will, every second Thursday, present established musicians together with up and coming artists from all over the country.

There is no entry fee, instead the diners fund the musicians from an optional music charge paid in cash when settling your food and drinks bill at the end of the night. This charge is paid directly to the performers.

Taking a selection of dishes from the Wine Bar and Brasserie Menu, 115 presents a relaxed evening of dinner and music to be enjoyed in the most perfect ambience and a chance to absorb professional music in an intimate and up close environment, alongside delectable cuisine and fine wines and beers.

115's first foray into this social scene is Julie Dunn accompanied by Pete Maxfield, a select Jazz experience on keyboard and double bass. Thursday, March 1st is a definite date for any Jazz lover's diary.

Pre-booking for dinner between 7pm and 8pm is essential, and guests should telephone on the day (between 2pm and 6pm) to confirm numbers in their party, at which time they will be informed of the cover charge – anticipated at between £5 and £10 per guest. Unfortunately late-comers cannot be accommodated as dining must be completed before the music starts at about 9.00pm.

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THE Bridge House Hotel has many new features, including a newly refurbished Reception and lounge area, which adds to the warm welcome you receive upon entering the establishment. The building is full of character and the quality and service offered is of the highest standard and is designed to meet the needs of the discern-

ing traveller.

The accommodation consists of 10 well appointed bedrooms including singles, doubles and twins as well as three family rooms. All rooms have, radio and colour TV, telephone, tea and coffee making, bath/shower, private facilities, and Free Wi-Fi access throughout the Hotel and Restaurant.



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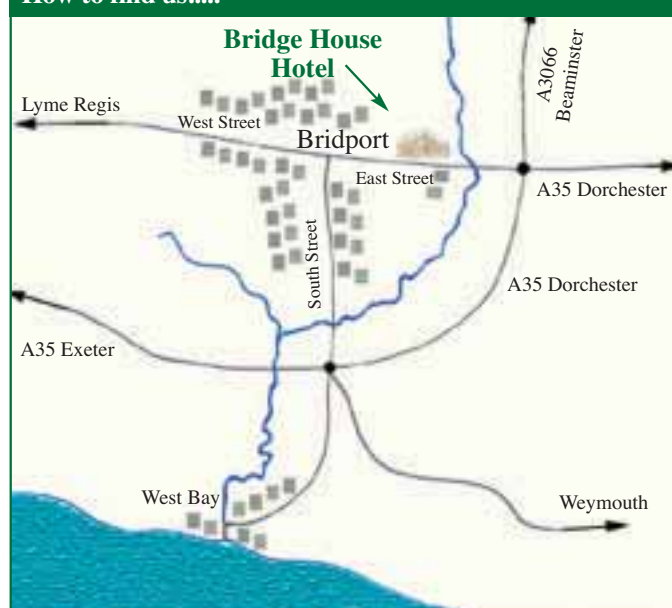
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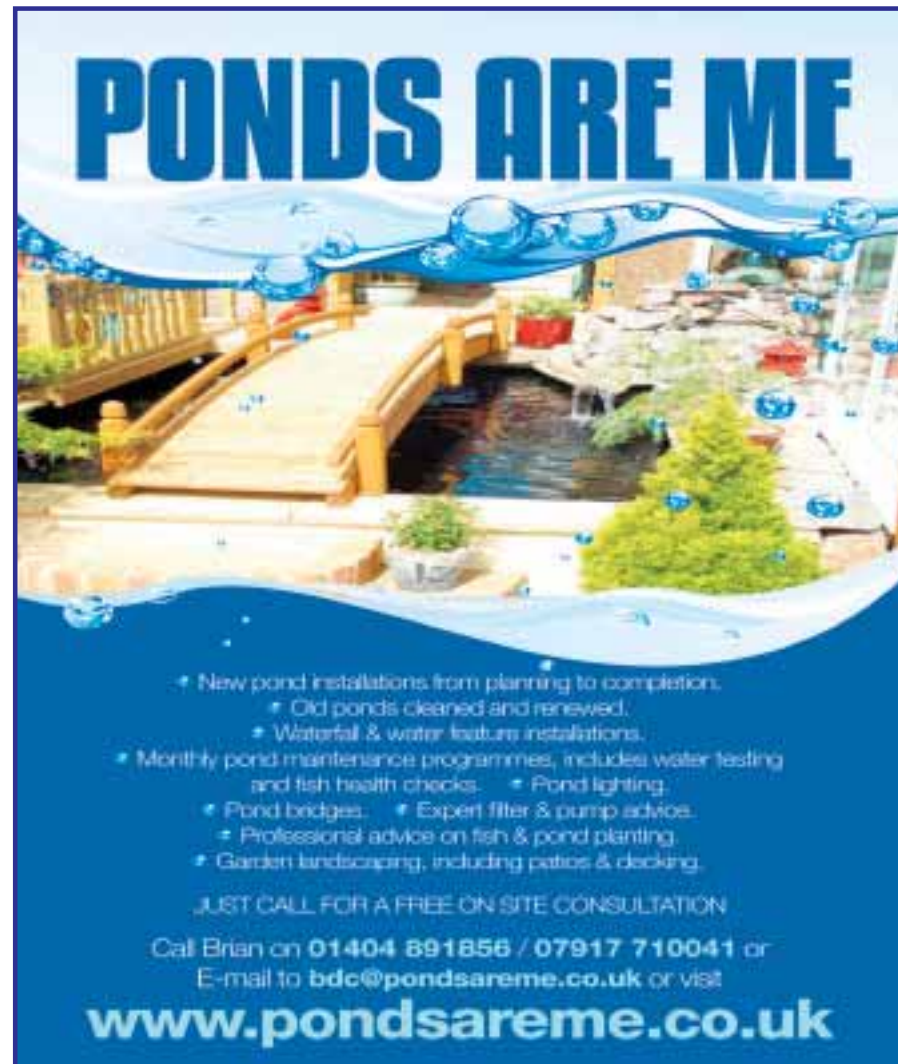
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# Golden Years

## Help and Care when you need it



### Clarondene

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We loved the watching all the

events of QUEEN'S JUBILEE, and our own Jubilee Party was a great success. We appreciated everyone's participation, we all enjoyed your company. We'll all remember the Queen standing all the way down the Thames – her poor husband, sick the next day!

Clarondene supported Lyme Regis' LIFEBOAT WEEK as always, never forgetting our special connection with the Street & Durrant families through Kay. We did not venture into the

crowds on the beach for the Red Arrows, we chose our own front seats on the corner of View Road and Hill Road, with flags, drinks, chocolates and lots of "Oooohs".

And now the OLYMPICS! We have celebrated 3 birthdays since the Opening Ceremony, and at the weekend loved hearing about Judith's exploits as a really hard-working Volunteer. The whole organisation, never mind the medals, has made us excited and proud to

be British. The Opening Ceremony was right up our street, with the 'wizz' through history to the wonderful lighting of the Petals. Inspired. Margaret's grandson took part, sadly we failed to spot him!

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The Manor House has a cheerful homely atmosphere. Visitors often remark on how they are made to feel

welcome at all times. There are well-trained staff on duty day and night.

The Manor House has a small garden at the front and a courtyard garden at the back with a fish pond, bird feeders and often the resident dog and cat.

Our aims are to provide high standards of care, promote independence and to enable residents to live life as they choose. Residents are encouraged to follow their chosen pursuits and we provide a variety of entertainment such as quizzes & games. There are trips out around town and to the seafront and trips out in the

charabanc. An activities/exercise organiser visits once a week. We have frequent visits from musical entertainers. Residents are encouraged to follow their chosen religious beliefs and a clergyman gives a communion service once a month.

We always encourage residents to become involved in local events such as exhibitions at the town hall, sea front fetes and the carnival. We have a visiting library service. It is our policy to provide fresh high quality food from local providers. We cater for special diets such as vegetarian or diabetic etc.

We have fifteen single rooms, all fitted with a wash basin. Nine of the rooms also have an en-suite toilet. Residents are encouraged to personalise their rooms with their own belongings including small items of furniture if they wish. Each room is fitted with a Nurse Call system. In order to ensure that the placement is suitable, prospective clients are en-

couraged to visit the home with their relatives prior to admission. The proprietors will also visit the prospective resident at their present accommodation. The first month after a resident is admitted to the home is a trial period to see if the resident is happy and to ensure we can provide the level of care required.

On admission a care plan will be made with the involvement of the resident and their relatives this emphasizes the resident's po-

tential to manage their own lives as independently as possible and to exercise their freedom of choice. Care plans are reviewed monthly or whenever there is a change in resident's care needs.

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the beautiful gardens and surrounding countryside, has also undergone a complete makeover.

In amongst the quiet and peacefulness that is Broadwindsor House there is also a hive of activity with a full programme of interesting and fun activities and events for those who wish to join in. These range from flower arranging, gardening and baking to our Christmas pantomime and party for clients, family and friends.

Our aim is to make life at Broadwindsor as varied and full as possible with the result that there is rarely a dull moment!

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# Golden Years

## Help and Care when you need it



### Daley Home Care

**DALEY** Home Care, the registered Domiciliary Care Agency, is helping clients from Lyme Regis to Dorchester



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We offer a complete range of services from personal care to cleaning, cooking and shopping.

Contact

Mark Roberts or Julie Daley

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to remain independent in their own homes. The team of friendly, personable carers are all highly trained, complementing their experience, (all have enhanced CRB disclosure) and guided by Registered Manager Julie Daley, who has a wealth of experience of the care industry. Julie also runs a 3 star rated Care Home and Domiciliary Care Agency in Shropshire and with fellow director Mark Roberts is now replicating these excellent standards in West Dorset.

We Care For You by Caring About You is Daley Home Care's simple message and sums up the company ethos. They are able to offer a full range of services, from personal care and help with domestic tasks to full palliative care. Helping clients regain their independence after hospital treatment and getting them to appointments and social events are all included. Daley Home Care is dedicated to providing the very highest standards of care 365 days a year, and their charges reflect this, being the same every day, ensuring every client enjoys the dignity and respect they deserve. Contact Daley Home Care on 01308 898 345 or email daleyhomecare@btconnect.com



### The Koppers

**WELCOME** to the Koppers, a Residential Care Home specialising in the care of people with Dementia set in one of the most beautiful East Devon villages.

The owners have a wealth of experience in the care of the elderly with complex care needs, long standing mental health problems and severe communication disabilities. They manage, lead and support a dedicated, well trained team of staff and provide a 24 hour person-centred care in a secure environment.

Our Gold Standards which cover all aspects of our work, are Choice, Dignity, Compassion, Respect, Relationships and Friendship.

The Home features a spacious Day Activity area, dining room, relaxation/quiet lounge and patio. Bedrooms are on the ground and first floor, which is accessible by chair lift. Single and double rooms are fitted with hand basins, en suite

facilities, some with shower/wet room, television point and up to date 'On Call' system. Personal possessions are welcomed at the owners' discretion and health and Safety regulations.

Meals are offered from a balanced and varied menu, offering choice and delights. Special diets are catered for by excellent home cooking that is locally sourced. Soft drinks and snacks are readily available throughout the day and night.

The gardens and grounds are a delightful pleasure; residents can enjoy the lovely lawns, seasonal flower beds, shrubberies and terraces including Green Houses and Vegetable plots, tendered with loving care.

The amenities of Kilming-ton offer opportunities for day to day activities and social inclusion. A friendly community and annual fete and flower show, the local Shop/Post Office, Church, Village Hall, and Village Green with a bubbling

stream running through makes for an idyllic and peaceful place.

Our activities organiser promotes and encourages a wide range of stimulating activities and outings relevant to the individual, and wherever possible, links with the local community for outings and social inclusion.

We also offer Respite Care.

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▲ One the chicks hatched at The Koppers this year

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## Help and Care when you need it



### Seaswift House

**SEASWIFT** House is a large and comfortable residence, being situated in Seahill, opposite the beautiful flower gardens, bowling and putting greens. The situation of the house makes easy access for residents, as it is only three minutes walk to the Sea Front, Post Office, Library, Banks, Shops, Restaurants, and Churches.

The rooms at Seaswift House are spacious and tastefully decorated, with individuality and colour, so no room is the same. All of the rooms have a colour television and private telephone if required. A stair lift is

also available.

The business is privately owned by the resident proprietor Mrs Kate Jackson, who is in touch and available on a daily basis.

Kate and the staff at Seaswift House are all dedicated to running the sort of Care Home that ensures residents feel happy and secure, and to know they are among friends, to live their lives as they wish, with dignity, independence and freedom of choice, but with the assurance that help is always at hand. To be able to receive their relatives and friends into their home, with the privacy

they require.

Realising, that the decision to move into residential care is a very big one for all concerned, Kate and the team invite you to visit, have a cup of tea or coffee and look around.

Seaswift House offers all these things and their promise to you is, they will always have time to listen.

We currently have a beautiful large en-suite room available, with lovely sea views and views of the Bowling Green and gardens. It has recently been refurbished. Early viewing is recommended if you are interested.



## SEASWIFT HOUSE

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Seaswift House is a 14 bedded Private Residential Home for the elderly

### ROOM AVAILABLE

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- Kind and caring staff where nothing is too much trouble, make this a lovely home to live in and our staff have been with us for years. Something we are very proud of.
- Delicious food and a glass of sherry is offered at lunchtimes and glass of wine, for anyone who would like to participate.
- We over look Seaton bowling green and the flower gardens, and we are just a two minute walk to the sea and shops

**Please come and have a look around and have a tea or coffee with us. Contact us on 01297 24493 and ask for Kate Jackson or Leanne Phillips.**

### Glory Days

**THREE** years ago Lisa Antal came to Devon as an Au-pair from Hungary, she lived with an elderly gentleman who was delighted to still be able to live his normal independent life in his own home with help around the house and knowing there was someone around if needed. Lisa realised there was a need to help others and with her Devonian partner she has launched Glory Days Au-pair agency for the elderly. Lisa believes that Au pairs become part of the family but will never replace a family member. They can become a good friend and helping hand and give family members a rest.

Perhaps you thought Au pairs are exclusively for children, Au Pairs are also suitable for helping elderly couples or singles. Hundreds of active pensioners are in need of companionship, carers, live happily with Au pairs. Au pairs help in everyday life so you can continue in your usual life. At night you are not alone, you live in your own home and during the daytime an Au pair can provide company. An Au pair can also help with light housework, washing, ironing, cooking, tidying, shopping, car driving and pet care.

Our live in helpers are on the whole not medically qualified so Glory Das Au-pairs are best suited for people who have less acute needs and do not require specialist care and would rather remain in their own home than taking up permanent residence in a residential or nursing home.

The Au-pair movement exists to arrange accommodation for young people from abroad. Salary is paid weekly as 'pocket money' Au pairs will be provided

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## Glory Days

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## Nantes in Dorchester have moved

LOCAL law firm, Nantes, have moved to 48 High West Street, Dorchester. Since moving into Dorchester some 5 years ago Nantes have built a reputation in the town for being a firm of solicitors that are friendly and approachable, offering appropriate, informative and supportive legal advice in a language that is easily understood.

Said Nantes Solicitor, Mediator and Collaborative Practitioner, Siân Merriott, :

"We are all very excited to be in our new office and are very pleased that we are now even more accessible to everyone. Our 'Open Wednesday' afternoons, when anyone can just drop in without an appointment and receive advice from a practising lawyer, are proving very popular. The advice we give is FREE and without obligation. We shall also be offering this service at this year's Dorset County Show on Stand C1. If you are look-

ing for some pointers on how to tackle a business or personal problem but don't know where to begin, or are hesitant about approaching a law firm, do come and see us.. we are here to help!"

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## Limited number of family portrait vouchers available



GREG Cameron Day specialises in Black and White portraiture, which he feels is more flattering and timeless for his clients. He says "Black and white portraits hanging on the wall at home don't seem to date like colour portraits, and don't people look so much better in black and white with the correct lighting?"

Greg has been photographing people in his Dorchester studio for 35 years and has built an enviable reputation for his portraiture and won numerous awards both regionally and nationally for his imagery.

National Family week takes place annually and there will be lots of events happening around the UK. To run alongside this event Greg has made a limited number of family portrait vouchers available to celebrate family life. So if you want to capture your family together looking good in monochrome this summer just pick up the phone.

### "NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK" 25<sup>th</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup> AUGUST

To celebrate Greg Cameron Day Photography has made available 60 Portrait Vouchers worth £100 each. The first 10 are free and the next 50 are only £25 each



Greg Cameron Day Photography  
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## Amazing lingerie boutique

CHECK out this amazing lingerie boutique perfect for gifts and every day underwear too Mirari Lingerie has something for everyone, sizes range from 28 back to 48. They have a huge stock giving choice to all sizes and have an ordering service that is quick and will send mail order too.

T shirt Bras always popular at this time of year are flying out at the moment says Shirley, the owner, women want a good shape with no visible seams. We have customers all over the world who have visited Dorchester and been fitted here - now we can post to them and let them know of new ranges that will suit

them.

Also specialists in Bridal wear they have a large selection for that very special day and of course for the honeymoon as well.

Swimwear in cup sizes is a boon to ladies looking for a suit or bikini that fits well. A large selection of wraps and pareos compliment these.

Check out the website too at [www.mirari-lingerie.co.uk](http://www.mirari-lingerie.co.uk) for details of Soft cups and post-surgery from specialist suppliers Anita and Royce

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Andy and Shelley are into their 8th Year as a Dream Doors Franchise. Having previously made it to the final of the South West and South Wales regionals for Franchisee of the Year Awards, their commitment has made their business thrive in this time. As a Small Business, Dream Doors Dorset has a proven track record that has

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Why not visit the showroom to see what's possible and view the extensive range of styles and finishes, worktop choices and the range of NEFF appliances and Franke sink and taps.

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# View 2

*The ultimate guide for Dorset*



## All Aboard!

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Plus our weekly music &  
cinema columns, and much more



# Estonian and Dorset cultures combine with Morris Men and The Oisu Band

THE MUSICAL cultures of Estonia and Dorset will combine to provide a weekend of exceptional entertainment later this month.

Dorset-based Wessex Morris Men are hosting a visit from The Oisu Band from Turi, Estonia.

On Saturday, August 18th, the two groups will go on tour, providing entertainment at a number of venues throughout Dorset.

At 9.30am they will perform outside the Post Office in Cheap Street, Sherborne, taking a coach to Cerne Abbas, where the morris men will dance outside the Royal Oak pub at 11am.

At 1.30pm both groups will perform at Cornhill, Dorchester and at 3.45pm the morris men will dance at West Bay.

The evening will conclude with a ceilidh for all abilities at the Digby Memorial Church Hall in Sherborne, with the Oisu Band and the Gordnose Ceilidh Band leading the music for dancing. The caller will teach each dance, so no previous experience is necessary.

Tickets for the ceilidh are £8 including light

refreshments. Call Jim Gailer to book on 01258 817963.

Wessex Morris Men will also perform traditional morris dances during the evening.

The Oisu band will also provide music at a private barbecue on Sunday, August 19, and return home the following day.



WESSEX Morris Men dancing in Dorset  
Picture: Mike Phelan



THE Oisu Band performing in Estonia  
Picture: Howard Gorringe

## Coast Unearthed exhibition is a hit with all ages

BRIDPORT Arts Centre has unveiled a new exhibition of prints and paintings by Jeremy Gardiner and Amanda Wallwork and it has proved to be a hit with visitors of all ages.

The exhibition examines the rocks and strata that form the hidden landscape of Dorset's Jurassic Coast and seeks to express the unimaginable vastness of geological timescales. Although it's generally accepted that the earth is billions of years old, it is still a challenge to the imagination to try and understand the scale of the age of the world. In very different ways, both artists are opening a window to the past and mysteries that lie under our feet.

There has been a steady flow of visitors since the exhibitions opening who have been delighted by the beautiful detail in Jeremy Gardiner's prints and by the evocative colours of Amanda Wallwork's paintings. One visitor commented "I loved the wonderful colours and ideas behind the project so much that I stayed for two hours".

Coast Unearthed will run until August 11th in The Allsop Gallery, and is open 10am - 4pm each day, entry is free.

▼ ARTISTS Jeremy Gardiner and Amanda Wallwork

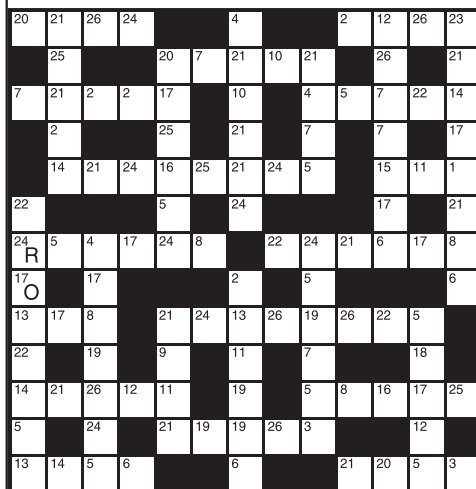


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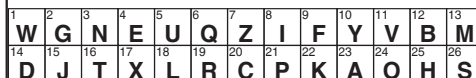
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### Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:



1	14
2	15
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4	17 O
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11	24 R
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### Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

#### Cryptic Clues:

##### Across

6, 22Ac & 12Ac.

What the single-minded poultry-farmer does? (4,3,3,4,2,3,6)

7. Fight for rubbish (5)

9. A satchel for share certificates (5)

10. Crying out for a vocation (7)

12. See 6 Across

14. Under-seamen? (11)

18. Swagger gives the Arcadian a feeling of discomfort (7)

19. A quaintly pleasing kind of accent (5)

21. Change the place for the wedding, we hear (5)

22. See 6 Across

##### Down

1. Moving with speed - but alive, nevertheless! (5)

2. Make over the property - like to write your name? (6)

3. No youngster is in school-days (3)

4. Libra or parts of Pisces! (6)

5. Parent disturbed about one with artistic talent (7)

8. Musket container gets attention all round (7)

11. Showing craftiness in any serious disorder (7)

13. The dog, with skill, can be healed (7)

15. Complained about a demon (6)

16. The noise of a bat (6)

17. This will provide play-room (5)

20. The strike is a great success (3)

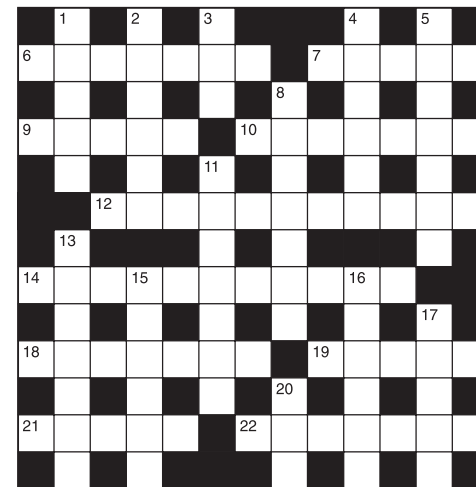
#### Quick Clues:

##### Across

- Extend (7)
- Light meal (5)
- Speak (5)
- Ripens (7)
- Share owner (11)
- Bespoke (4,2,5)
- Unfeeling (7)
- Awry (5)
- Tilt (5)
- Pardon (7)

##### Down

- Condition (5)
- Abandon (6)
- Frigid (3)
- Yearly (6)
- Plotter (7)
- Collects (7)
- Eight-armed cephalopod (7)
- Bullfighter (7)
- Enrol (6)
- Flag (6)
- Depart (5)
- Wand (3)

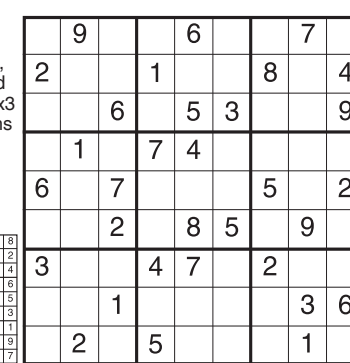


LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:  
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Playthings; 7 Plane; 8 Ballast; 10 Linesmen; 11 Left; 13 Gorgon; 15 Loathe; 17 Sage; 18 Particle; 21 Sights; 22 Amend; 23 Checkmates. Down: 1 Prawn; 2 Aversion; 3 Tables; 4 Idle; 5 Gravest; 6 Apologists; 9 Title-deeds; 12 Contract; 14 Roguish; 16 Ransom; 19 Crews; 20 Chic. QUICK - Across: 1 Disdainful; 7 Naive; 8 Creator; 10 Helpless; 11 Skit; 13 Strong; 15 Stance; 17 Also; 18 Sedition; 21 Marquee; 22 Knobs; 23 Necromancy. Down: 1 Drill; 2 Swelling; 3 Access; 4 Need; 5 Untaken; 6 Enthusiasm; 9 Rottenness; 12 Stricken; 14 Reserve; 16 Redeem; 19 Irony; 20 Purr.

### Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >



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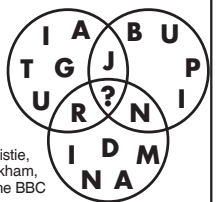
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### Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

The letter represented by the question mark is H. Christie, Calzaghe, Beckham, all winners of the BBC

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## View 2 Diary Dates

### SATURDAY AUGUST 11TH

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### SUNDAY AUGUST 12TH

**LYME REGIS:** Organ recital in St Michael's Parish Church, Lyme Regis, by Lyme Regis Organ School students. Retiring collection, cream tea available. Tel 01297 445709.

### SATURDAY AUGUST 18TH

**DORCHESTER:** Archaeology Walk - Long Barrow Farm. For more details email tripp.chris60@gmail.com, call 0776 869 5162 or visit <http://xcavate.blogspot.com>

### FRIDAY AUGUST 17TH

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## Rachel brings more music to Spirit of Bridport

VOCALIST Rachel More will be performing in a special Jazz Café evening as part of the Spirit of Bridport Festival at the Bridport Arts Centre Wednesday 15th August.

Accompanied by pianist Philip Clouts, Rachel will sing a wide selection of well-loved swing, ballads, blues and bossa novas and will also be featuring some of the songs from her CD 'All My Tomorrows'.

Rachel moved to Dorset from London five years ago during which time she performed regularly at the well known jazz venues such as The Spice of Life, the 'Pizza on the Park', National Theatre Concert Pitch and Pizza Express Jazz Club Dean Street. Other appearances have included singing live on Radio 4's Loose Ends, being featured on ITV's Meridian Tonight and the Jazz Divas Festival. She has worked with many notables in the music industry such as bassist Geoff Gascoyne, (currently on tour with Jamie Cullum), Alec Dankworth, Derek Nash (Jools Holland Band) and Scott Hamilton.

Recent collaborations include performing with singer songwriter/ pianist Joe Stilgoe. She fronts a number of bands ranging from a 4 piece jazz quartet, 5 piece function band, 18 piece big band and pop/acoustic duo. Her jazz CD 'All My Tomorrows' is available on the 33 records label.

Rachel More performs on Wednesday, August 15th at 8pm at Bridport Arts Centre, South Street, Bridport, DT6 3NR

Tickets cost £10, £9 for members, £7 concessions, and are available from the Box Office on 01308 424204.



MORE MORE MORE | Rachel More will perform at Bridport Arts Centre as part of the Spirit of Bridport celebrations

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## Cash Converted return to Beach & Barnicott

CASH Converted, the south's premier Johnny Cash tribute band return to Beach & Barnicott in Bridport this Friday, August 17th. A night not to be missed!

He may be gone but his songs live on. Mark Carter-Cash has given up his job on the railway and taken over the baton to deliver that unique vocal and guitar style loved by country music fans everywhere. With Paul on lead, Tom on double bass, Toni Viagra on the drums and introducing the lovely June Carter-Rash on vocals and autoharp they produce a driving sound covering the rockabilly years of the 50's right through to the melodic, soulful tunes of recent years.

Cash is king, we all know that!

Cash Converted play Beach & Barnicott next Friday (August 17th) from 9.30pm.

WALKING THE LINE | Cash Converted are back at the Beach & Barnicott



## Helena is next name at 115 Club

WHAT a perfect evening, Maggie Reeday & Philip Clouts. 115 Club, Bridport's dedicated music and dinner venue last week enjoyed the soulful voice of Maggie Reeday accompanied by the fabulous piano playing of Philip Clouts. Everyone in attendance had a fabulous evening and magnificent entertainment from the duo.

On Thursday, August 16th the 115 Club will again host an evening of magical music and dinner. The artist Helena will be strumming gentle guitar and performing beautiful vocals to accompany.

From Main Stage Glastonbury to TV presenter, from intimate concerts to her chart success with Billy Bragg, Helena Softley has moved audiences all over the world with her incredible voice, accomplished guitar, and energetic performances.

A singer songwriter with a voice that is rich, powerful, deep and mellow, she is passionate and energetic onstage and engages you with her tongue in

cheek audience control. She is not only bubbly and cheeky, but supremely professional in every aspect of her work.

Helena sings every song as if it was just for you, and she is also an accomplished guitarist - never afraid to play hard-driving rhythms, beautiful ballads, or soulful melodies.

Expect a lively, passionate and entertaining night of blues, rock, folk, jazz and country.

Pre-booking for dinner between 7:00 and 8:00 pm is essential and guests should telephone on the day (between 2:00 and 6:00pm) to confirm numbers in their party. At which time they will be informed of the cover charge - anticipated at between £5 and £10 per guest. Unfortunately late-comers cannot be accommodated as dining must be completed before the music starts at about 9:00pm.

For more information check out [www.115club.com](http://www.115club.com) or [www.facebook.com/115club](http://www.facebook.com/115club)

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Friday, August 10th -  
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**The Dark Knight Rises** <sup>12A</sup>

Daily: 19.45

**Ice Age: Continental Drift** <sup>U</sup>

Daily: 14.25

**Ice Age: Continental Drift 3D** <sup>U</sup>

Fri-Sun: 17.00

**Brave 3D** <sup>U</sup> Mon-Thu: 14.45, 17.20

### BRIDPORT ARTS CENTRE

South Street, Bridport  
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[www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com)

Alfred Nobbs

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Sunday 19th August - 5.00pm

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**Brave in 3D** <sup>PG</sup> Mon-Thu: 14.45, 19.50

**Brave in 2D** <sup>PG</sup> Mon-Thu: 12.15, 17.15

**Diary Of A Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** <sup>U</sup>

Fri-Sun: 13.00, 15.25, 17.55

Mon-Thu: 14.20m 16.40

**Dr Seuss: The Lorax in 2D** <sup>U</sup>

Daily: 12.30, 15.00

**Ice Age: Continental Drift** <sup>U</sup>

Fri-Sun: 12.15, 14.40, 17.00

Mon-Thu: 12.00

**Magic Mike** <sup>15</sup> Fri-Sun: 20.25

**Step Up 4** <sup>PG</sup> Daily: 12.45, 15.15, 17.45

Sat: 20.20

**Ted** <sup>15</sup> Daily: 17.30, 20.00

**The Bourne Legacy** <sup>12A</sup>

Mon-Thu: 20.10

**The Dark Knight Rises** <sup>12A</sup>

Fri-Wed: 19.30

**Expendables 2** <sup>15</sup> Thu: 20.30

### WEYMOUTH CINEWORLD

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[www.cineworld.co.uk](http://www.cineworld.co.uk)

**Ted** <sup>15</sup>

Fri, Sun: 11.00, 12.00, 13.30, 14.30,

16.00, 17.00, 18.30, 20.00 21.00

Sat: 12.00, 13.30, 14.30, 16.00, 17.00,

18.30, 19.30, 21.00, Mon-Wed: 12.00,

14.30, 17.00, 18.30, 19.30, 21.00,

Thu: 12.00, 14.30, 17.00, 19.30

**The Dark Knight Rises** <sup>12A</sup>

Daily: 11.30, 15.15, 19.00, 20.00

**Brave in 3D** <sup>PG</sup>

Mon-Thu: 12.45, 15.15, 17.45, 20.15

**Dr Seuss: The Lorax in 3D** <sup>U</sup>

Fri-Wed: 12.45

**Brave in 2D** <sup>PG</sup>

Mon-Wed: 11.15, 13.45, 16.20, 18.45

Thu: 11.15, 13.45, 16.20

**Dr Seuss: The Lorax in 2D** <sup>U</sup>

Fri, Sun: 10.15, 15.15, 17.45

Sat: 15.15, 17.45, Mon-Wed: 10.15,

14.30, 15.15, Thu: 10.15, 14.30

**Ice Age 4: Continental Drift in 3D** <sup>U</sup>

Fri-Sun: 11.10, 13.30, 15.50, 18.10, 20.30

**The Amazing Spider-Man in 3D** <sup>12A</sup>

Fri-Sun: 20.15

**Magic Mike** <sup>15</sup> Fri-Sun: 21.00

**Expendables 2** <sup>15</sup> Thu: 13.00,

15.20, 17.40, 18.45, 20.00, 21.00

**Ice Age: Continental Drift in 2D** <sup>U</sup>

Fri, Sun: 10.00, 12.20, 15.00, 17.30

Sat: 12.20, 15.00, 17.30

Mon-Thu: 10.00, 12.20, 17.30

**Diary Of A Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** <sup>U</sup>

Daily: 10.45, 13.00, 15.30, 17.45, 20.00

**The Bourne Legacy** <sup>12A</sup>

Mon-Thu: 10.40, 13.40, 16.40,

19.40, 20.30, 21.15 (Excl Thu: 21.15)

**Step Up 4 in 3D** <sup>PG</sup>

Daily: 11.15, 16.00, 18.20, 20.45

**Step Up 4 in 2D** <sup>PG</sup> Daily: 13.40

**Diary Of A Wimpy Kid: Dog Days** <sup>U</sup>

Daily: 11.00, 13.20, 15.45, 18.00

**Mirror Mirror** <sup>PG</sup> Sat: 10.20am

**Alvin and The Chipmunks:**

**Chipwrecked** <sup>U</sup> Sat: 10.00am

**Mr Popper's Penguins** <sup>PG</sup>

Sat: 10.10am

## View 2 Cinema

# This week's big screen releases

### EXPENDABLES 2 <sup>15</sup>

THE Expendables are reunited when Mr. Church (Bruce Willis) enlists them to take on a seemingly simple job. When things go wrong, the Expendables are compelled to seek revenge in hostile territory, where the odds are stacked against them. Hell-bent on payback, the crew cuts a swath of destruction through opposing forces, wreaking havoc and shutting down an unexpected threat in the nick of time - five tons of weapons-grade plutonium, more than enough to change the balance of power in the world. But that's nothing compared to the justice they serve against the villainous adversary they seek revenge from.

All-star cast also includes Arnold Schwarzenegger, Liam Hemsworth, Jason Statham, Sylvester Stallone, Jean-Claude Van Damme and Chuck Norris.



### THE BOURNE LEGACY <sup>12A</sup>

AARON Cross (Jeremy Renner), a new hero, experiences life-or-death stakes that have been triggered by previous events.

Fourth film in the Bourne franchise also stars Scott Glenn, Edward Norton and Rachel Weisz



### 360 <sup>15</sup>

INSPIRED by Arthur Schnitzler's classic *La Ronde*, screenwriter Peter Morgan and director Fernando Meirelles' 360 combines a modern and dynamic roundelay of stories into one, linking characters from different cities and countries in a vivid, suspenseful and deeply moving tale of love in the 21st century. Starting in Vienna, the film beautifully weaves through Paris, London, Bratislava, Rio, Denver and Phoenix into a single, mesmerizing narrative.

Stars Rachel Weisz, Jude Law and Anthony Hopkins.



## Pubs with live music

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**Social club**

## BRADPOLE SOCIAL CLUB

Saturday 11th August

**BINGO**

Eyes down 8pm, good prizes to be won

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## Antiques fairs

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# ALL ABOARD!

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Set on board the warship HMS Pinafore, the opera cheerfully mocks such Great British institutions as Class, Patriotism and the Royal Navy. Josephine the captain's daughter is in love with Ralph a common sailor, but her father wants her to marry Sir Joseph Porter, First Lord of the Admiralty. The couple are caught as they elope from the ship and Ralph is locked in the ship's dungeon. Only

when certain revelations are made by Buttercup, a dockside vendor, can everyone end up freely marrying their true hearts' loves.

This wonderful comic opera gets the complete Illyria treatment, faithfully performed by a reduced cast on a beautiful nautical set, and accompanied by a Musical Director on keyboard.

Tickets are available from Bridport Arts Centre priced £14/ £12 member/ £10 concessions/ £40 family. Call 01308 424204 or visit [www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com) for further information.



SHIPMATES | The Illyria cast of *HMS Pinafore*

# Lazy Lester brings New Orleans blues to Dorchester

FOR ONE unique evening Dorchester Arts Centre turns into a Mississippi dive, when 78 year old New Orleans blues legend Lazy Lester plays this Friday, August 10th!

Back when blues was king and South Louisiana was the breeding ground for some of the most memorable American music ever recorded, at its heart was Lazy Lester. This 78 year old blues legend from Baton Rouge, Louisiana has been described variously as a 'National Treasure' the 'High Sheriff of Louisiana' and 'A nut'!

One of the key creators of the South Louisiana swamp blues sound in the 1950's Lester (aka Leslie Johnson) has often been imitated but never duplicated - his carefree personality prompting Excello Producer Miller to dub him 'Lazy Lester'.

Lester's tunes have been covered time and time again. His 'I'm a lover not a fighter' became a standard requisite of 60s British blues band shows and was featured on the Kinks' first album.

As a true living legend, his talents are as much in demand as ever. After all there aren't many living bluesmen who have had major hits throughout the 1950s and '60s and are still performing with the gusto and precision of their youth.

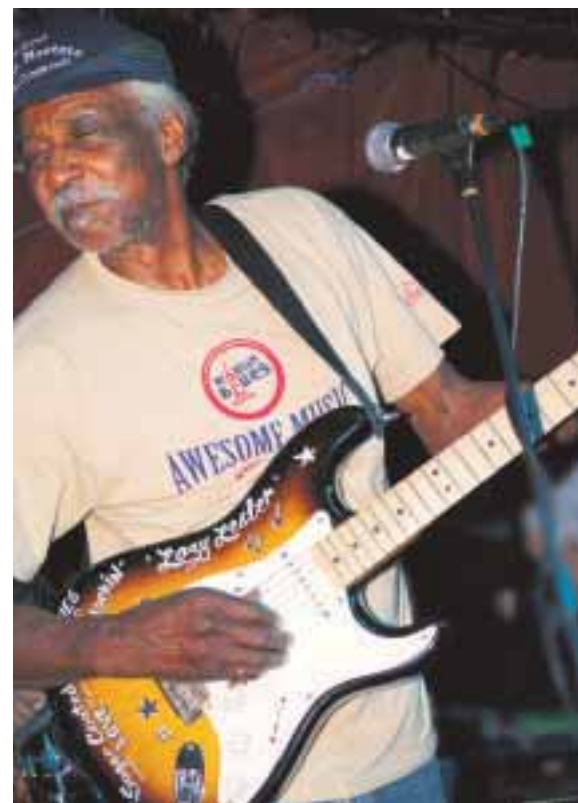
He credits Jimmy Reed and Little Walter as his main blues influences but his first love was and still is traditional country music. He got hooked early on Jimmie Rogers and later Hank Williams always including some of their songs in his set.

In 2004, he played at Radio City Music Hall in New York as part of Martin

Scorsese's Year of the Blues super concert that included the most impressive line-up of blues stars ever assembled.

This is probably your last chance to see a genuine blues legend in such intimate surroundings. Get tickets now and enjoy.

Doors and bar open from 7.30pm on Friday, and music starts at 8pm. Tickets cost £12.00 in advance or on the door £14.00, and are available from the box office on 01305 266926, or at Dorchester Arts Centre, School Lane, The Grove, Dorchester DT1 1XR



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The stairs from the living room lead up to Bedroom one – a double size room, again with exposed beams, with a wooden board floor and windows to the front and side aspect. This room has an ornamental cast-iron fireplace as a focal point. Bedroom two, a single size room with similar wooden boarded floor and a ‘Velux’ style window to the front, leads from bedroom one, as does the Bathroom. The Bathroom, again with wooden boarded floor and exposed beams, incorporates a shower cubicle and a white suite comprising WC, pedestal wash hand basin and bath.

Outside there is a small lawn area to the front and an enclosed rear garden, with a patio immediately from the back door with steps leading up to the lawned area, bordered with established trees and shrubs and which includes a summerhouse.

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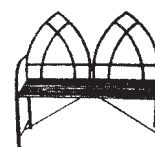
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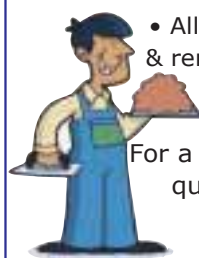
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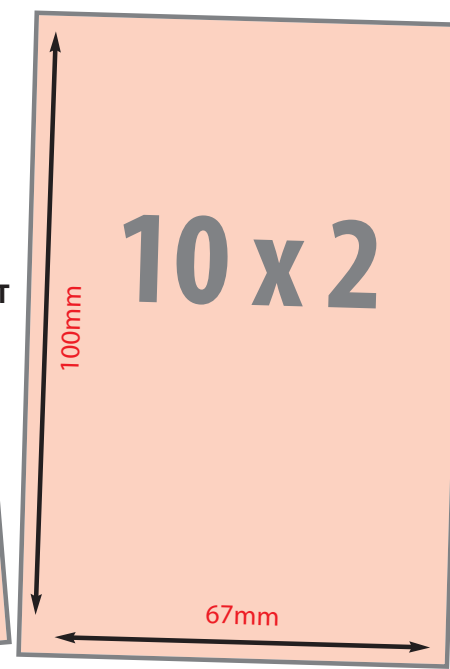
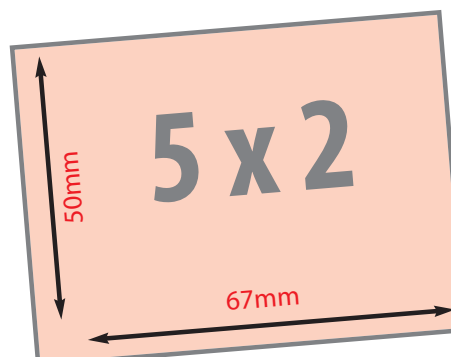
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The commended accolade is part of the annual Motability Supplier Awards, now in their seventh year, and recognises Volkswagen's excellence, efficiency, innovation and exceptional customer service. Commenting on the commendation, Mike Betts, chief executive, Motability Operations, said: 'Offering stable pricing for customers, and popular models at very affordable rates, Volkswagen is highly committed to the Motability Scheme. The commended accolade at the Motability Supplier Awards acknowledges the efforts that have gone into increased environmentally friendly options, better value and an engaged dealer network. Well done to all at Volkswagen.'

A wide range of Volkswagen models is available through the Motability scheme from the new up! city car, through the Polo, Golf – including the Golf Plus, Golf Estate and Cabriolet – Jetta, Passat,

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Commenting on the commendation, head of Volkswagen Fleet Services, Vince Kinner, said: 'We're delighted to receive this award and proud that we have been recognised as people who are committed to Motability, both through the products we are able to offer and the service and back-up we provide both internally and through our Retailer network.'

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## INSIDE EDGE - DORSET CRICKET ROUND-UP

## Great weekend for Weymouth

WEYMOUTH Cricket Club enjoyed a great weekend with both sides not only winning on the same day for the first time this season, but both beat the current league leaders.

In the Premier League, Dean Janaway's side became only the second side to defeat Wimborne & Colehill, whilst the 2nd XI, like London buses, having won for the first time last week, recorded a second victory beating joint leaders Cranborne.

Dorchester also got back to winning ways after three successive defeats, whilst Beaminster cruised to a convincing win.

**Dorset Funeral Plan League  
Premier Division  
WINTON 84 ALL OUT****LOST TO DORCHESTER 85-3 BY SEVEN WICKETS**

DORCHESTER got back to winning ways with an easy seven wicket win over Winton.

After three consecutive defeats that had seen the county town slump to seventh, they dismissed any relegation battles as Dan Belt, leading the side in place of Martyn Richards who was unavailable, ripped through the Winton top order.

After James Dunham (2-26) had trapped opener Archer lbw with a single on the board, Belt with 4-17 from 10 overs left the hosts on 38-7, and although there was some resistance from Williams (15) and Phillips (17 not out) they could only muster 84 all out with James Lewis also bagging 2-11.

Dorchester lost Lewis for a duck, but Pete Moxham (16) and Will Caldwell added 30 for the second wicket before Williams (3-25) removed the opener and Belt (0) to leave them 35-3.

However Sam Goodhew (16 not out) joined Caldwell (39 not out) to see them home in just 16.2 overs.

**WINBORNE & COLEHILL 164 ALL OUT  
LOST TO WEYMOUTH 186-7 BY 22 RUNS**

WEYMOUTH made it seven wins in eight by inflicting only the second defeat of the season, the first at The Leaze, on Wimborne & Colehill who are knocked off the top of the Premier league for the first time since the season began.

In a game reduced to 49 overs through a shower during the warm-up, Weymouth were asked to bat and lost skipper Dean Janaway, lbw for eight, but a superb second wicket partnership of 74 between Jim Ryall (34) and Ben Lawes

resistance from Joe Weld (24) and James Miller (21) Weymouth bowled them out with an over to spare to clinch a superb victory.

A delighted Janaway said: "It was a great all round performance. Having lost the toss and with a wet outfield and big pitch it was very difficult to score runs.

"However we scraped away and 186 on that wicket was a great score; equivalent to 240 at Redlands. Ben Lawes and Jim Ryall did a great job with the bat, and Ben's half-century held the innings together. With a few quick runs at the end we set them a reasonable target.

"We defended the score superbly, from the bowlers who were brilliant, to the fielders who took some great catches.

"Dave Trotter built the pressure with a superb spell, and although he didn't take any wickets, conceding just ten runs from his 10 overs was absolutely brilliant and put the pressure on them from the start.

The off-spinners, Ben, 'Cube' Whyte and Will McKay also put the brakes on them, and as the pressure built and they started needing five and six an over, they had to go for their shots and we took some excellent catches.

"We are really flying now; everyone has contributed over recent weeks. This is probably the best run I can remember for a long time, and to beat Wimborne who have been almost unbeatable all season on a wicket that was doing a bit, is credit to all the lads."

**Division Two  
BEAMINSTER 240-2 BEAT  
CHRISTCHURCH 192-7 BY 48 RUNS**

BEAMINSTER posted their third win of the season with a well earned 48 run victory over fellow strugglers Christchurch, with Simon Jones and Richard Bugler posting a superb unbeaten 178 run third wicket stand.

Batting first, Fred Everitt and Nick David (10) got the hosts off to a steady start with a stand of 40 before David was caught off the bowling of Cross (1-31).

Fred Everitt followed with the score on 62 for a well earned 38, but from then on Jones (88 not out) and Bugler (86 not out) dominated the visitors attack to set attesting target of 240-2.

Ross Baker (1-28 from 12 overs) and Tom Goatley (2-27 from 8 overs) immediately put the visitors under pressure in reply, conceding just twelve runs between them in the first ten overs, and removing the openers.

Paul Martin (2-53) and Richard Runyard (2-28) took care of the middle order and at 98-6 it looked game over, and a seventh wicket stand of 86 between J Dear (54) and Jeans (27 not out) looked to threaten, but Beaminster closed the game out to win comfortably in the end.

Captain Will Everitt said: "I'm delighted with a fantastic win and team performance.

"Simon Jones and Richard Bugler showed real class in dominating the crease, whilst Tom Goatley and Ross Baker followed up with an outstanding first spell in which Christchurch could only manage 12 runs from the first 10 overs to put them under pressure."

**DORCHESTER 2ND 196-9 LOST TO  
WINBORNE & COLEHILL 2ND 199-3 BY SEVEN WICKETS**

DORCHESTER 2nd's put up a spirited batting display against league leaders Wimborne & Colehill 2nd's but could not contain their batsmen and lost by seven wickets.

Losing the toss they were invited to bat and Pete Diffey and the returning Colin Edney made a flying start adding 72 for the first wicket before Edney (21) was bowled.

James Caldwell could not repeat his good form of last week and was dismissed for a duck, but Rhys Cole (18) helped Diffey add 34 for the third wicket before he was caught off Chris Dunk.

The dismissal of Diffey for a fighting 48 saw a mid-order collapse before captain Stuart Beasley helped steady the boat with a fine half century, and was 51 not out at the end of Dorchester's allotted overs

Pete Horne (0-44) and Caldwell (1-44) opened the bowling and although Caldwell struck in his third over it was the visitors that dominated. Aaron Oliver (1-20) picked up a caught and

bowled and Beasley (1-42) eventually removed the other Wimborne opener but it was not enough as Wimborne coasted home.

Beasley said: "The lads fought very well and some positives came from it. With our four remaining games being against the sides below us, we must now concentrate on finishing off the season on a high note and aim for a mid-table finish."

**MARTINSTOWN 179 ALL OUT****LOST TO SHILLINGSTONE 180-5 BY FIVE WICKETS**

MARTINSTOWN's promotion hopes took a knock with this defeat by league leaders Shillingstone.

Put into bat they put themselves in a good position after the early loss of Lee House (10) with Ed Nichols and Henry Lewis (25) adding 93 for the second wicket.

However the loss of Nichols for a superb 71, run out by Edwards saw the home innings collapse for 129-2 to 179 all out.

Although there was an early breakthrough with Chris Read (1-35) bowling Nick Marshall, it wasn't until the introduction of Danny Dancer (3-47) that gave Martinstown hope as he took three wickets to leave the leaders 97-4, and although Matt Camp (1-40) removed James Ladd-Gibbon (8) an unbroken fifth wickets partnership of 47 between B Andrews (44 not out) and Ian Poulley (26 not out) saw the visitors home.

Skipper Dancer said: "This was a really disappointing defeat. After losing the toss and asked to bat, we started well enough after losing Lee House, before Ed and Henry put on 93 for the second wicket.

"However when we tried to up the tempo, we lost regular wickets and we only managed to get up to 179, about 30 or 40 runs too short.

"We tried to attack their batsmen early with Chris Read taking a wicket and Matt Camp bowling well, but we needed more wickets so I tried to see if we could unsettle them with Stu Fry's pace.

"However, we lacked control and they ended up getting above the required rate, and by then we needed to take a few wickets in quick time which didn't happen.

"Overall I thought we should have scored more runs after getting off to such a good start, however I felt that with the ball we were a bit unlucky and we were a little bit quiet in the field which let them get settled.

"I think we now need a few results to go our way if we are going to get back into the promotion race, but Shillingstone are a good side and although they lost to Poole the week before, I think they will be too strong to slip up again.

"We will just continue to try and win games and see what happens."

**WEYMOUTH 2ND 271-8 BEAT****CRANBORNE 136 ALL OUT BY 135 RUNS**

WEYMOUTH 2nd's scored a second successive victory, albeit over eight men, and although it was a hollow win, it will help boost their confidence as they look to make a miracle finish to the season.

Batting first, they lost Ryan Monk (2) early on, but Peter Gordon (49) and Hayden White (26) set the scene against the depleted league leaders, before Jonny Armfield (81) and Andy Jarvis (56) took over adding 122 for the fourth wicket before M Harris (3-54) and P Park (4-51) enjoyed some success for their endeavours as Weymouth finished on 271-8.

After Graham Puckett (1-13) and Ryan Sers (1-26) found early success, a gritty innings from D Coy (57 not out) helped the visitors recover, but it wasn't until the introduction of 16-year-old Harry Mitchell that Cranborne succumbed, as he mopped up the tail with 4-28 off 5.4 overs and an easy win for the Seasideers.

**Division Three****BRIDPORT 107 ALL OUT****LOST TO BROADSTONE 3RD 125 ALL OUT BY 18 RUNS**

THIS was a game Bridport could ill afford to lose as they now sit joint bottom with their victors and Parley 2nd's who they play next week, but despite being a player short they had a chance when Broadstone were 46-6 at drinks.



■ HARRY Mitchell: 4-28 as Weymouth 2nd XI crushed Cranborne.

However the visitors battled away and despite Ed Halson (5-22 off 7.2 overs) bagging a 'five-for' they managed to post a score of 125 all out.

Skipper Liam Toohill got Bridport off the mark with the score on 13, and Wes Lewis (2-17 from 12 overs) who has been bowling well all season claimed his first victim without the scoreboard moving, thanks to a good catch from the returning Mark Tozer behind the stumps, the first of his three victims.

However despite Antony Azor (1-14) taking his first team maiden wicket in his second over; the first being a maiden; Broadstone were able to set a reasonable target.

Bridport lost Duane Gay in the first over, Toohill and Mark Smith looked to repair the damage, but when they went only Luke King with a gritty 45 not, and newcomer Charles Pastell, managed to master the visiting bowlers, and with just 14 runs from the bottom five batsmen, Bridport eventually fell 18 runs short.

Toohill said: "It was very disappointing and means that we need to pick up some good points in our remaining games. The pitch had been rock hard on Friday but rain overnight softened it a bit.

"It was good to see Wes Lewis get more than one wicket, he has been bowling well all year without any luck, and Ed Halson also did well claiming a 'five-for'.

Antony Azor will also get satisfaction from his first wicket, but at tea with them 46-6, I was expecting us to get them out for under a hundred, but we were a bowler short.

"Wes Lewis batted really intelligently, defending the accurate balls and really attacking the bad ones, and we only needed 20 runs to win with 120 balls left, but unfortunately couldn't manage it; they should have been easily gettable."

**CATTISTOCK 65 ALL OUT****LOST TO PARLEY 2ND 121 ALL OUT BY 56 RUNS**

CATTISTOCK'S faint hopes of promotion were quashed with this defeat against ten man bottom side Parley 2nd's.

Parley struggled against the opening bowling of Martin Langford who claimed a 'five-for' with 5-25, and Lee Anderson who bowled eight maidens between them in the first 10 overs.

Ben Gollidge chipped in with 2-22 with only J Herringshaw (25) and Mark Barber (28) scoring any runs as Parley were dismissed for 121 all out.

Cattistock could not match their opponents however as G Wilson (5-19) and D Green (3-9) ripped through them as they slumped from 35-6 to 56-8 and eventually 65 all out with Tim Hey top scoring with a paltry 13 not out.

Only extras matched him with Buddy Langford the only other one in double figures with 12.

**Division Five North & West****MARNHULL DREW WITH DORCHESTER 3RD -**

game cancelled, ground unfit

**Division Six North & West****SHILLINGSTONE 2ND 77-5 BEAT****PORTLAND RT 2ND 75 ALL OUT BY FIVE WICKETS**

## TABLES

**DORSET  
FUNERAL PLAN  
SATURDAY LEAGUE**

Premier League	P	Pts
Parley.....	14	213
Wimborne & Colehill .....	14	211
Poole Town.....	14	188
Broadstone.....	14	177
WEYMOUTH.....	14	173
Ferndown Wayfarers .....	14	152
DORCHESTER.....	14	144
Stalbridge .....	14	98
Blandford.....	14	74
Winton*.....	14	33

Division Two	P	Pts
Wimborne & Colehill 2nds.....	14	199
Shillingstone.....	14	195
Cranborne.....	14	187
Martinstown.....	14	170
Witchampton.....	14	132
DORCHESTER 2NDS.....	14	125
Poole Town 2nds.....	14	123
Christchurch.....	14	120
BEAMINSTER.....	14	111
WEYMOUTH 2NDS.....	14	58

Division Three	P	Pts
Winton 2nds.....	14	195
Compton House.....	14	188
Cerne Valley.....	14	176
PORTLAND RT.....	14	164
Stalbridge 2nds.....	14	157
CATTISTOCK.....	14	157
Ferndown Wayfarers 2nds.....	14	142
BRIDPORT.....	14	111
Broadstone 3rds.....	14	111
Parley 2nds.....	14	111

Division Five (N&W)	P	Pts
WEYMOUTH LONGSHOTS.....	13	207
ABBOTSBURY.....	12	174
DORCHESTER 3RDS.....	13	174
Crewkerne.....	12	170
Bradford Abbas.....	13	143
Cerne Valley 2nds.....	13	96
BRIDPORT 2NDS.....	12	47
Henstridge.....	13	-2
Marnhull 2nds.....	12	-18

Division Six (N&W)	P	Pts
Shillingstone 2nds.....	10	141
MARTINSTOWN 2NDS.....	10	127
PORTLAND RT 2NDS.....	10	121
BEAMINSTER 2NDS.....	10	94
Sturminster & Hinton.....	10	69
Stalbridge 3rds.....	9	68
Gillingham.....	9	10

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Division Three	P	Pts
PORTLAND RT.....	12	194
Sherborne.....	11	151
Stalbridge.....	11	140
SYMENE.....	12	133
Parley.....	11	126
CHARLTON DOWN.....	12	92
Pokesdown Willows.....	11	91
Winton 2nds.....	12	90
Lytchett Minster.....	12	76

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Sturminster & Hinton.....	11	139
Winton 3rds.....	11	118
PORTLAND RT 2NDS.....	11	101
Christchurch 2nds.....	9	99
Shillingstone 2nds.....	10	98
Swanage 2nds.....	8	88
Cheselbourne.....	9	51
Bournemouth 2nds.....	11	48

PORTLAND Red Triangle Cricket Club are already getting prepared for next season by announcing their winter training schedule, which will begin on Thursday, September 6th.

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Triangle have also entered teams at Under 10s (softball), U12s, U14s and U16s into the West Dorset Indoor League which will start on Saturday, September 8th.



■ JIM Ryall: Crucial 34 in Weymouth 1st XI's low-scoring victory.

(55), whose half century was the backbone of the Seasideers innings saw off the home attack.

Paul Payne (21) and Kieron Womble (13) also made valuable contributions as Weymouth amassed 186-7 in their allotted overs.

Dave Trotter (0-10) who conceded just ten runs in his ten overs, five of the maidens, and Dan Hutchens (2-29) pinned down the hosts batsmen at the opening of their innings, before spinners Lawes (2-28), Laurie Whyte (2-35) and Will McKay (1-56) kept the pressure on.

Although Ben Brigden (55) defied the Weymouth bowlers with a half-century, when he was bowled by Whyte, they had slumped from 70-2 to 90-5 and although there was some late



## LONDON 2012 OLYMPICS

# Reflections on the 30th olympic games

THERE are some great perks to being a journalist and top of the list must be to get a pass to cover the Olympic Games **WRITES KEVIN FAHEY.**

As I write this I am sitting just above the finishing line as the warrior sprinters limber up for the final of the men's 100m.

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# Terras tame lacklustre Magpies

## Weymouth 0 Dorchester Town 0 ATTENDANCE: 550

THIS Bob Lucas Trophy encounter failed to inspire the crowd of 500 who had turned up to support Ian Hutchinson, for whom this was his testimonial **WRITES STUART BROOM.**

Weymouth did at least show they had an eye for goal and with some better finishing should have won the game. Dorchester on the other hand looked disjointed and lacked goal power, and it was no surprise that they had to wait until the final minute before producing a shot on goal.

Trialist Dan Smith who agreed non-contract terms with manager Brendon King after the match, showed that he could be a real asset before being substituted at half-time, and had Magpies keeper Jason Matthews diving down to his left after just three minutes to hold his 20-yard drive.

Almost immediately Mark Ford who took up a number of good positions

but failed to capitalise on the chances, couldn't control Craig Duffy's headed pass before Matthew's grabbed it.

Dorchester were on the back foot and when a free-kick was not cleared cleanly, Ford hit his 20-yard volley straight at Matthews.

On 15 minutes Smith teased the Dorchester defence before cutting in, but delayed his cross too long allowing Magpies trialist Charlie Clough to block his effort for a corner.

Weymouth believed they had taken the lead six minutes from the break when a misdirected Kyle Critchell header from Stephen Reed's corner was hacked off the line by Harry Bell before Ford could poke it home.

Even the reliable Mark Jermyn seemed off his game and when he tried to be too clever in injury time, Ford latched on to the ball but fired over.

Things didn't improve after the break, and with referee Dominic Gillespie not

clamping down on niggly fouls and late tackles from both sides things came a little heated, but he did eventually book sub Lewis Clark for hacking down Neil Martin.

Jermyn was caught in possession a second time soon after on the left side of the penalty area, and it needed a superb block by Matthews to stop Ford scoring as he cut along the byline.

It was an hour before Weymouth's defence was ruffled and that was through their own doing. Alex Jeannin mis-kicked Sam Malsom's cross and as the ball looped up at the far post, Barry McConnell headed clear at the far post.

Substitute Lewis Morgan then broke clear on the left but couldn't make his mind up to shoot or cross and eventually pulled the ball back behind the two inrushing Dorchester forwards.

In Dorchester's best spell of the match, Ryan Dovell then played a diagonal ball over the top of the static Terras defence, but Ben Watson fired

wildly over the bar from 25 yards.

Sub Matt Groves was inches away from giving Weymouth the victory they deserved but could only get the merest touch to Reed's low cross and the ball slipped past the far post.

This signalled the introduction of former player and manager Ian Hutchinson to a generous round of applause for the final 18 minutes.

Dorchester finally won their first corner of the game on 83 minutes but even this was courtesy of an error from Scott Dixon.

In a late flurry Watson fired past the far post under pressure from Sam Poole, before sub Elliot Ward at last extended Simon Evans in the Terras goal with a shot from 20 yards that the former Magpies keeper parried diving to his left.

If this was a boxing match the referee might have stopped it at half-time, although Dorchester did improve after the break.

# King the happier after stalemate

BRENDON King was by far the happier of the two managers after Weymouth and Dorchester Town fought out a 0-0 draw in the annual Bob Lucas Trophy on Saturday.

Weymouth had far the better chances against their higher league opponents and with better finishing should have won a match that was marred in part by some poor refereeing from Dominic Gillespie.

King was pleased with his side's performance saying: "They forced Simon Evans into one save in the final minute and I think that tells the story."

"We stopped them playing, closed them down and I was impressed with the way we went about our business. We also looked a lot better defensively, moved the ball around well and created chances, so overall I was very pleased indeed."

Commenting on his new summer signings he said: "Danny Clay has come in this summer and been fantastic."

"He doesn't stop talking and organising, and he leads by example both in the way he plays and conducts himself off the pitch."

"We have missed that type of presence in the middle of the park and you can already see the difference he is making to the rest of the side."

"Despite being only 26, he has bags of experience and just like Barry McConnell and Scott Walker, there is no doubt he is having a positive influence on the

rest of the squad, particularly the younger ones."

King was also impressed with former Truro City forward Dan Smith, who he signed on non-contract terms after the match.

"Dan looks quality. He chases things down and doesn't stop running, and because of that defenders don't like playing against him, as he showed in this match."

Magpies manager Phil Simpkin was far from happy with the situation, and whilst giving Weymouth credit, he was critical about the timing of the match, the standard of refereeing and some of his players.

On Weymouth's performance and that of some of his players he said: "It was always going to be their cup final and fair play to them, because they stopped us playing, and not too many sides have done that over the last six to nine months."

"On our part, we have to learn that when teams do that we have to adapt and go a bit more direct. It also showed that when we miss our big players, we miss them big time."

"We did not want to risk Nick Crittenden, but when he is not playing we struggle for an outlet out wide. "We also missed Nathan Walker, who is not only a presence but a good footballer too that gets us playing out from the back."

"I was pleased in the way we reacted in the second-half and were much more competitive but it was still

not us,

"Unfortunately I have certain players that I have inherited on contract that I have had to stick with that didn't perform, and haven't performed since I have been here. It's frustrating but I have just got to make the best out of the situation."

"At least we didn't lose the game, and I thought Jason Matthews was excellent. The save he made in the second-half from Mark Ford was outstanding."

Simpkin also questioned the timing of the match and the standard of refereeing in a match where Neil Martin and Ben Watson picked up ankle injuries.

"I didn't want to play the game in the first place but the decision went out of my hands."

"I am pleased for Ian Hutchinson and would do anything for the lad; he's a great lad; but if I had the choice we wouldn't have played this with only a couple of weeks left of pre-season, particularly with such a small squad."

"We have come out of it with a couple of injuries to Ben and Neil. Why we played it I will never know; I just can't understand it."

"It was a very competitive match because of the rivalry and let's face it the referee had a mare; he's lucky no one got seriously hurt."

Simpkin confirmed that the two Exeter City loanees Jamie Reid and Jacob Wannell, would be joining them from Monday on three months contracts.

# Gala Goodies spoil ladies Triples

LAST Saturday saw an action-packed day of bowling hosted by Weymouth & Melcombe Regis Bowls Club with teams competing for £700 of prize money in the 6th annual Open Triples tournament, which this year was sponsored by care at home providers, Bluebird Care (Weymouth & West Dorset).

The day contained twists, turns and some surprises as twelve local teams of triples competed throughout the morning in four leagues with games played over eight ends, with the top two from each league progressing to the quarter finals in the afternoon.

An enthralling quarter-final stage saw all seven of the ladies to enter the competition; two all ladies teams and one a member of a mixed team; progressing through to the semi-final stage and creating the surprise prospect of an all ladies final.

One hotly contested quarter-final saw ladies team PJJ's (P Walker, J Bowers & J Jones) snatch victory from the jaws of defeat against Rodgers Dodgers (L Griffiths, B Reynolds & R Skidmore). With her team 6-5 down in the final end, Joyce Jones pulled two shots back with her penultimate wood to ensure a semi-final spot.

Although PJJ's exited the competition at the semi-final stage, another "wonder wood" by Sylvia Reynolds saw her all-ladies team of Bristols, including C Ambrose and M Doster, progress to the final after a 9-6 win over PCC (P Emeny, P Davis and C. H. Smith).

Bristols had an 8-6 lead after seven ends but looked about to go 5 down in the 8th, before Sylvia Reynolds' final wood turned the tables and clinched victory.

It was also a day to favour the hosting club as their players claimed all four semi-final spots, Greenhill Select having exited the tournament in the quarter finals.

The final saw the only mixed team in the tournament, the Gala Goodies (M Irvine, J Bradley & T Norris), taking on the Bristols.

Going four shots up in the fifth end to take the lead 7-3 the Gala Goodies had earned themselves too much of an advantage for the ladies team to claw back, and after 40 ends of consistently good bowls it was the Gala Goodies that ran out champions by 8-6.



■ **WINNING COMBINATION:** The Gala Goodies being presented the winners' prize money by Bluebird Care (Weymouth & West Dorset) Directors Chris Scriven and Joanne McMahon. Line-up, from left: Tournament Organiser Don Ramsey, Weymouth & Melcombe Regis Bowls Club President Roger Williams, Chris Scriven, Joanne McMahon, Mary Irvine, Jim Bradley and Tony Norris

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